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## DAWSON STARVING.

### An Important Letter From a Mining Engineer.

### FLOUR COSTS AS HIGH AS $125 A SACK

**The Town, He Declares, Is Full of Loafers Whom the Police Will Not Arrest Because They Have No Provisions For Them.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Mr. James R. Keene has received an interesting letter from an expert mining engineer who, with an assistant, was sent to the Klondike region last fall by himself and other capitalists to investigate and report on the situation there. It gives the latest detailed description of the conditions prevailing in Dawson City. The letter is written on rough brown paper, for, as the writer explains, no stationery is obtainable in Dawson.

Speaking of Dawson, the mining engineer says:

"A more God forsaken place you never saw. The town lies on a flat on the east side of the river, immediately back of which are hills about 500 feet high. The river is about three-eighths of a mile wide and is, I should judge, quite deep. The elevation above sea level is approximately 1,000 feet. Where the town is located must have been an old moose swamp. During the summer time it is undoubtedly a regular quagmire.

"There are fully 500 loafers in town, who won't work and expect to be fed, and there is no food to feed them with. The police won't arrest them, because they haven't any food with which to feed them. Everything is frozen except the whisky, and there seems to be an unlimited supply of that article at 50 cents a drink or $10 per bottle. Champagne is $35 per bottle, and I suppose other beverages are at corresponding figures.

"Five cent cigars cost 50 cents each, and flour, outside of the company's contracts, $125 for a 50 pound sack; candles, $1 each. Seventy-five dollars is paid for a five gallon can of coal oil. In fact, none is for sale. Sugar is 30 cents and tea $1 a pound. Coffee, $1 a pound, and not fit for dogs. Ordinary dog meat, which means dried fish, $1 a pound. No man works for less than $15 for nine hours, and confers a very great favor upon you even at that rate. Cordwood, sawed and split, is $50 a cord in the yard. Can't say what it will be before this winter is over.

"What in the world these people are going to do before the season is over I cannot say. Every building on the main street is either a saloon with a gambling outfit or a dance house. There are only two stores, which belong to the companies, respectively the Alaska Commercial company and the North American Transportation and Trading company. They close at 5 o'clock, because they have no candles or oil to [illegible] There is absolutely no place to [illegible]re will be no more steamers here [illegible]t July.

"[illegible]ple are still coming in over [illegible]out provisions. The police [illegible]ng every one down the river as he arrives, and the companies will assist in pushing out of town all persons who are not supplied with food.

"The condition of affairs is very precarious here. There is a possibility of there being bloodshed on account of the starving population. The stores sell nothing and are only partially filling orders in rotation to the best of their ability. I do not dare to move until I am first settled. Caches, where individual supplies are kept, are being nightly robbed, and people are on the qui vive. In several instances thieves have been detected and shot, and I do not dare to leave this place without some one in it, for to lose our supplies at this stage of affairs in Dawson would simply mean death. Money can't buy food, and the actual staple of life, flour, is unobtainable."

**A Big Strike at Dog Creek.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—News of a marvelous strike that in richness is said to exceed the Klondike is brought down from Alaska by E. A. Smith, formerly of Colorado. This old miner came into Seattle on the steamer Farallon, having spent 17 years in Alaska. Smith says Dawson City was in a whirl of excitement on Nov. 1, when the first report was brought in of a big and rich strike on Dog creek. This stream is 50 miles up the river from Dawson, on the south side of the Yukon. The first claim was located by Chubby Peterson of Peoria, Ills. He struck bed rock at seven feet, and his first clean up showed nearly $8,000. Other claims were immediately located, and when Smith left five had reached bed rock and were panning out from $860 to $1,200 a day.

**Gold Hunters Snow Bound.**

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Five Chicago men who started for the Klondike are imprisoned in the snow hundreds of miles beyond the last point of civilization in the Northwest territory. A relief expedition, provision for which was made in Chicago, will undertake to rescue and bring them back to civilization.

**Another Vessel For Gold Hunters.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The sale has been completed to another party of gold seekers who intend to go around the Horn to the Klondike of the old American brigantine H. H. Wright of Portland, Me.

**Eight Hundred Were Slain.**

HAVANA, Dec. 8.—The official report on the capture of Guisa by General Garcia says that the entire garrison of 800 men were killed. Only 45 Spanish soldiers survived, and they were taken prisoners by General Garcia. The report describes the terrific effects of the pneumatic dynamite gun used by General Garcia. The insurgents fired 72 dynamite shots on the forts. Each shot wrought terrible havoc. The gun was operated at a short distance from the town. Not a house remains standing in Guisa. All were blown to pieces.

**Giving the Roads Time.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The interstate commerce commission has decided to extend for two years the period within which railroads must comply with the act of congress requiring all railroads to be equipped with safety appliances for the protection of employees and passengers.

## SOME SENATE BILLS.

### One Introduced Relating to the Klondike.

### THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOUSE.

**Skirmish Over the Distribution of the President's Message to the Committees—Several Bills Presented by Mr. Sperry of Connecticut.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—A new member, in Mr. H. de S. Money of Mississippi, was introduced in the senate yesterday, and after some brief criticism of the form of his credentials the oath of office was administered to him.

Mr. Money was assigned to the seat formerly occupied by Mr. Daniel of Virginia, the latter securing the seat in the center of the Democratic side which was occupied by the late Senator George. During the session 108 bills, many of which were private pension measures, were introduced, in addition to several joint resolutions and some senate resolutions.

Among the bills introduced were these:

By Mr. McBride, authorizing the Dyea-Klondike Transportation company to locate and construct a line of transportation from Dyea to Lake Bennett, the line to consist of railways, aerial tramways or wagon roads, as the company may deem proper. The bill grants 100 feet on each side of the proposed road as right of way; also a bill granting a similar right of way to the Skagguay and Lake Bennett Tramway company from Skagguay over the White pass to the boundary line of Northwest Territory on the Skagguay trail.

By Mr. Mason, to establish a postal savings bank system. This is known as the Chicago Record bill.

By Mr. McMillan, for the construction of a gunboat on the great lakes to take the place of the United States gunboat Michigan at a cost of $220,000.

By Mr. Hale, to increase the navy establishment by the addition of a first class seagoing coast line battleship at a cost not to exceed $2,750,000, six seagoing torpedo boats of 175 tons displacement at a cost of $1,125,000 and three torpedo boats of greater speed at a cost of $900,000. It is provided that the battleship shall be primarily for coast defense and that it shall carry the heaviest armor and most powerful ordnance and that it shall have a displacement of 11,500 tons.

The session of the house, though it lasted but two hours, witnessed a very lively skirmish over the question of distributing the president's message to the various committees clothed with jurisdiction over the subjects dealt with. The conflict of authority was between the ways and means committee and the banking and currency committee.

Chairman Walker and other members of the latter committee believed that the language of the resolution for distribution, which referred all matters relating to the revenues, the national finances, the public debt, the preservation of the government credit and the treaties of the United States affecting the revenues to the ways and means committee, would rob their committee of all jurisdiction over the question of impounding the greenbacks, as recommended by the president—a question which they contended was fundamental to any scheme for the revision of the currency. The battle raged all along the line.

During the debate Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio fired the first gun against the civil service law, and this also brought the friends and enemies of that measure into action. It was noticeable that the galleries seemed to sympathize with the opponents of the measure, and Mr. Johnson of Indiana in a ringing warning declared that if a bill to emasculate the civil service law were passed it would meet the presidential veto.

Eventually Mr. Dingley, in deference to the opposition of the members of the banking and currency committee, agreed to a modification of the order of distribution so as to send to the ways and means committee all matters relating to the "revenues, the bonded debt of the country and the treaties affecting the revenues." The resolution was then adopted.

After the session Chairman Walker claimed he had won a decisive victory and that his committee under the order would have jurisdiction of a measure to, as he expressed it, convert the greenbacks into gold certificates, but members of the ways and means committee insisted that changes of verbiage in the order would not affect their jurisdiction and that a measure such as the president suggested, if introduced in the house, would be referred by the speaker to their committee.

The establishment of a national system of postroads and the extension of the postoffice system so as to cover the entire business of public transportation is contemplated in a bill presented in the house by Mr. Sperry of Connecticut and referred to the committee on postoffices.

The measure provides for the consolidation of the interstate commerce commission with the postoffice department, to be under a postmaster general and ten associates, including the members of the present interstate commerce commission, each to receive $10,000 a year. The bill empowers the extension of the postal business to cover transportation of persons, baggage, parcels and general freight and to secure control and management of such roads now carrying the mails and of other roads and transportation agencies as may be needed for the public use.

Another bill introduced by Mr. Sperry provides for an appropriation of $28,000 for the improvement of the New Haven harbor. Mr. Sperry also introduced a bill appropriating $10,000 for the maintenance of the improvements on the Connecticut river below Hartford, in accordance with the recommendations of the corps of engineers, United States army; also for $10,000 for the further improvement of the Connecticut river.

The first Cuban petition submitted to congress at this session was presented in the house by Mr. Payne of New York. It came from 29 voters of Ontario county, including the pastor of the First Baptist church of Canandaigua, "deprecating the devastation, wholesale imprisonment, starvation and slaughter in Cuba" and asking congress to "put an end to these inhumanities in this island by granting its inhabitants belligerent rights."

### CHINA WILL PAY.

**Report That Germany Will Be Indemnified by the Mongolians.**

LONDON, Dec. 8.—It is reported here that China is willing to pay an indemnity of 1,000,000 taels (about $781,150) and to grant all the German demands, including the temporary cession of Kiao Chau bay and adjoining territory.

A dispatch from Berlin says that Dr. Stuebel, the German consul at Shanghai, has been ordered to go to Kiao Chau and establish a regular German administration. The Kolnische Volks Zeitung says that the coal deposits in the province of Shan Tung, which will become available to Germany, with railway and mining concessions, are most valuable.

**Details of the Occupation.**

LONDON, Dec. 8.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says that Captain Becker, with 210 German marines, left Kiao Chau bay to occupy the surrounding villages, whence they proceeded to capture the city. The Chinese forts opened fire, and the Germans replied, killing three of the garrison, which thereupon fled in disorder. The Chinese general in command was captured, but afterward liberated. Several German soldiers were injured by stones flung by the inhabitants of the villages. In return for this the head men of these villages were beaten with bamboo sticks by order of the German commander.

**To Get Bismarck's Views.**

BERLIN, Dec. 8.—Prince Henry of Prussia will visit Prince Bismarck at Friedrichsruhe and will spend several hours with the great statesman in order to obtain his views upon the Chinese situation.

### THE COAL TRUST CASE.

**Attorney General Hancock Has Now Filed Notice of an Appeal.**

ALBANY, Dec. 8.—A vigorous prosecution of the Coal trust case has been planned by Attorney General Hancock, and if the court of appeals decides against him the incoming legislature will at once be asked to amend the law. The attorney general has filed and served notice of appeal in the anti-trust cases from the order of the appellate division.

Whatever the result may be in the case that court entertains the appeal the question of the validity or invalidity of the law upon these points and the necessity for its amendment, if any, will be made clearly to appear in time for the legislature to take action at a very early day, since it is expected that the hearing on the appeal will be brought on the first motion day in January. The court will probably adjourn to the 10th of January for the holiday recess, and this will be one of the first matters taken up upon its reconvening.

**Citizen-Independents Won the Day.**

FITCHBURG, Mass., Dec. 8.—The city election was devoid of excitement, the chief contest being on the question of license. The city went no license for the fifth time by a vote of 2 326 to 1,896. At the polling place in the Fourth ward Henry S. Hitchcock, a war veteran of the Twenty-first regiment, died of heart failure. The result of the election is the choice of Henry E. Rockwell, Citizen-Independent, for mayor. The city council elected will be six aldermen, all Citizen-independent, 17 Citizen councilmen and one Independent.

**Veterans Send a Petition.**

DAYTON, Dec. 8.—A petition signed by 3,000 veteran inmates of the central branch National Military Home, near this city, was mailed last evening to Senator Hanna, in Washington, to present to congress. The petition sustains the proposition of General Breckinridge, inspector general of the army, to change the management of all soldiers homes so that the secretary of war will have direct control of them, as he has of the regular army home at Washington.

**Wealth Hid In a Barrel.**

EASTON, Pa., Dec. 8. — Wendell Steele was a famous character living on the mountain north of Phillipsburg, N. J., where he made peach cider. Recently he died. A junk dealer visited Steele's place and asked for old iron. There was a barrel of rubbish near the barn, and the man in charge said it was worth $1. The junk man said it wasn't. It was tipped over, and with a lot of old iron came out $600 in $20, $10 and $5 gold pieces.

**A Republican Victory.**

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 8.—The Republicans re-elected Mayor Henry S. Dickinson over Colonel John L. Rice, Democrat, by 1,182, the entire board of aldermen, the entire school committee and all five of the 18 members of the council. The city went for license by 1,091. The aldermen elected are L. D. Robinson, C. H. Mulligan, D. O. Gilmore, Ralph W. Ellis, C. C. Lewis, E. C. Hamilton, C. E. Brown and H. D. Packard.

**Has Vetoed the Bill.**

ATLANTA, Dec. 8.—As was reported would be the case, Governor Atkinson has sent in his veto of the bill making it unlawful to play match or prize games of football or football where an admission fee is charged. He stated that this was a matter which should be left with college faculties.

## TAYLOR IS CRITICAL.

### Comment on President's Advice Regarding Cuba.

### SAYS THE POLICY IS IRRESOLUTE.

**Comes Out With Declaration That the Cabinets Both at Washington and Madrid Are Trying to Circumvent the National Will.**

MOBILE, Dec. 8.—Hon. Hannis Taylor, ex-minister to Spain, gives out the following: "I have been asked to express my views as to that part of the president's message which relates to the Cuban question. Putting aside the irrelevant matter by which it is incumbered, the substance of the only recommendation actually made by the executive to congress upon that subject is that this government cannot venture to do anything to put an end to the inhuman strife which during the last three years has reduced the island almost to a desert because there is a prospect of

HON. HANNIS TAYLOR.

a settlement between the combatants upon the basis of a so called autonomy lately put forth by the Sagasta ministry.

"I believe congress should firmly and scornfully reject such a policy of irresolution and nonaction, because the assumption upon which it is founded is an empty illusion. The vital question at issue has not been touched by the revolutionary effort of Sagasta to end the war.

"In one particular the cabinets at Washington and Madrid are in identically the same situation. Both are striving with all their might either to defy or circumvent the national will as embodied in their respective legislatures.

"I have attempted to demonstrate elsewhere that the primary cause of the endless conflict is economic and that the difficulty can never be removed until Cuba is independent or possessed of an insular parliament that can regulate absolutely her own tariffs. Nothing could be more disingenuous than the device employed to obscure the fact that no such concession is contemplated.

"A Cuban parliament is to be given the power to form its own tariff, fixing both import and export duties, provided the assent of the home government can be obtained thereto. In case of a disagreement, the point in dispute shall be submitted to a commission of members of the cortes, consisting of an equal number of peninsulars and Cubans. Everybody knows the Cuban deputies in the cortes at Madrid are mere men of straw, returned by the governor general. Even if they were independent, no change could ever be made in existing tariffs without the consent of the peninsular Spaniards, who would never listen to such a thing.

"At the end of three years of wholesale destruction, provoked by Spain through unprecedented political and economic oppression that has brought death and famine to hundreds of thousands, the Spanish crown at last confesses the Cubans are right and their wrongs should now be redressed by a generous and genuine grant of home rule. When the proffered scheme is examined, it is found to be not only indefinite and illegal, but absolutely wanting in sincerity upon the two vital points."

**Election In Lawrence, Mass.**

LAWRENCE, Mass., Dec. 8.—At the municipal election yesterday James H. Eaton, Republican and Good Government association candidate, defeated James E. Donoghue, Democrat, by 983. Five Democratic aldermen and two Republicans were elected. The council is ten Republicans and eight Democrats. On joint ballot the Democrats have 13 and Republicans 11. License vote: Yea, 1,619; nay, 3,666.

**Carried Much Booty.**

TRENTON, Dec. 8.—John Barber, 30 years old, of Yardley, Pa., was arrested here on suspicion. He wore underneath an ulster a light overcoat, a cutaway coat, a sack coat and three vests and had on three pairs of trousers. The search revealed stored away in his clothing a large clock with bronze top pieces and 76 smaller articles, mostly of silverware, many of them being of solid silver.

**A Tichborne Claimant.**

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 8.—Mr. Edward Priestman, who is acting under a power of attorney for the Rev. Edward Williams, a Catholic priest of Devonshire, England, has obtained the sanction of the court to have William Cresswell, a lunatic in the Parramatta asylum, who Priestman says is Sir Roger Tichborne, examined to discover if marks on his body correspond with those on Tichborne.

### TREATED HIM BADLY.

**Lunatic Chained to an Iron Bar For the Past Eleven Years.**

PITTSBURG, Dec. 8.—Humane Agent O'Brien has just unearthed one of the most shocking cases of maltreatment of the insane ever recorded in western Pennsylvania, at Clines Hollow, Westmoreland county. The humane agent has ascertained that Franklin Pierce Cline, now 43 years old, has been chained for the past 11 years to an iron bar with a chain which will not permit him to move in any direction more than six or eight feet. He is a raving maniac, and during his long period of incarceration he has been kept constantly in a state of nudity.

Agent O'Brien says Cline was kept in a small outhouse constructed especially for him. When he called to see him, the room was in a filthy condition and there was not a vestige of anything for the sufferer to lay upon.

The state board of lunacy has been notified and is now investigating the case. It is thought that the Westmoreland county authorities will be asked to take charge of the man, as the estate is amply able to pay all necessary expenses.

### THE SALE INVALID?

**London Accountants Trying to Block Union Pacific Reorganization.**

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The following telegram has been sent to the attorney general at Washington by Robinson & Leslie, a firm of London accountants, acting for a group of holders of Union Pacific reorganization committee's certificates for Union Pacific stockholders:

"We notify the government that the committee's bid involves a departure from the terms of its trust under the trust agreement declared Jan. 26, pursuant to which stockholders paid nearly $9,000,000. The committee was not permitted to issue more than $75,000,000 in bonds for the purchase of both the Union and Kansas Pacific. Under the bid for Union Pacific alone that purchasing issue is practically consumed, thus violating the trust to the stockholders. This substantial deviation from the conditions of the purchasing trust invalidates the bid. Therefore the government is notified to hold the moneys received or receivable as trustee under the committee's trust and not as the property of the government."

This notice, with the accompanying document, has been lodged with the United States consul general in London.

### MISS BRADLEY ACCEPTS.

**She Will Officiate at the Christening of the Kentucky.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The difficulty that has arisen in relation to the christening of the battleship Kentucky has been settled, as indicated by the following letter from Miss Bradley to the secretary of the navy:

"Kentucky, the first born of the Union, is justly proud of the distinction preferred in giving her name to the magnificent battleship soon to be launched at Newport News. It may not be inappropriate or vain to say that the valiant record made by her sons on land and sea entitles her to the compliment. Kindly accept my sincere thanks for the honor with which you have clothed an unpretentious but ardent Kentucky girl, who loves her state second only to her country.

"It will give me much pleasure to assist in the ceremonies of the occasion, which should serve, if possible, to bind the sympathies of every citizen of Kentucky more closely to the nation."

**Bonai Placed on Trial.**

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 8.—What is generally thought will prove to be one of the most notable trials in the criminal annals of Fairfield county has opened here before Judge Elmer of the superior court, when Charles A. Bonai was placed on trial charged with murdering George Marcus Nichols, an aged farmer of Daniels Farms, on the night of July 22.

**Man Blown to Pieces.**

BOWLING GREEN, O., Dec. 8.—The American Torpedo company's magazine, containing a large quantity of nitroglycerin, exploded yesterday with terrific force. Dan Leoan, a stock hauler from Findlay, was completely torn to atoms. Houses near by were demolished, and the shock was felt for miles around. No one knows the cause.

**Chamberlain to Captain Yale.**

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 8.—Burr C. Chamberlain, who has played tackle on Yale's football team for the past two years, will captain the team the coming year, his election taking place last night.

**Democrat Carried Marlboro.**

MARLBORO, Mass., Dec. 8.—For the first time in its eight years of municipal life this city has elected a Democrat. Dr. E. G. Hoyt defeated Frederick A. Pope, Republican, by a majority of 293.

### CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

More anti-Hebrew riots have broken out near Prague.

Justice Horace Buck of the Montana supreme court committed suicide.

Haiti has accepted the terms imposed in Germany's ultimatum in the Lueders case.

Congressman Belden, who was injured by a fall in Washington, is reported better.

The French expedition to the Nile under Marchand is reported massacred by natives.

The Canadian government has imposed a tax of $2 per gallon on whisky for the Yukon country.

Charles Burgess was electrocuted at Auburn (N. Y.) prison for the murder of Henry V. Whitlock.

Judge McClelland of Columbia City, Ind., former congressman, has been stricken with paralysis.

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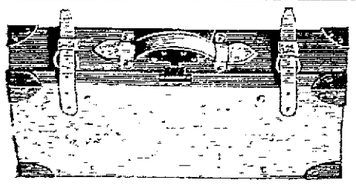

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# THE CABINET WINS.

## French Government Sustained In the Dreyfus Case.

## KESTNER SPEAKS IN THE SENATE.

**Answering Him, the Minister of War Declares No Evidence Submitted and Reiterates His Belief That the Condemned Captain Is Guilty.**

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The cabinet decided to answer in the senate the interpellation regarding the Dreyfus scandal and to allow all the discussion desired. It was believed the order of the day would be voted, as was the case in the chamber of deputies, and that, therefore, the government's action in the matter would be sustained.

A band of law students assembled in front of the Luxembourg palace where the senate sits, and engaged in an anti-Dreyfus demonstration. They traversed several streets in Indian file shouting "Down with Scheurer!" "Down with the senate!" "Down with The Figaro!" and "Down with Zola!" The police, however, were able to keep the crowds moving.

There were many ladies and officers in the galleries of the senate, and the whole hall was crowded.

When the opening formalities had been concluded, the president, M. Loubet, announced that M. Scheurer Kestner, one of the four vice presidents, desired to interpellate the government in the persons of the premier, M. Meline, and the minister for war, General Billot, in regard to their declarations in the chamber of deputies on Saturday last on the subject of the alleged false imprisonment of Alfred Dreyfus, a former captain of French artillery, convicted by a court martial of selling important French military secrets to the agents of a foreign power.

The premier signified his readiness to answer the questions put to him, and the senate decided to open the discussion forthwith.

M. Scheurer Kestner then arose and reviewed the Dreyfus case at length. He traversed the statement of M. Meline relative to his evidence, saying that, although he had not delivered the documents into the premier's hands, he had shown them to him.

M. Scheurer Kestner read his speech in quiet, unimpassioned tones, emphasizing the principal passages. When he referred to the disinterested support he had received from two newspapers accused of being subsidized by the friends of Dreyfus, a storm of hisses followed, but he stood undismayed until it subsided and then went on.

The minister for war, General Billot, replied that M. Scheurer Kestner had submitted to him no evidence. He had contended, the minister explained, that the anonymous note was the basis of the whole affair and that if it was shown not to have been written by Dreyfus, the latter ought to be accorded a new trial. But the general, as minister for war, could not go back on the judgment of the court martial, and he acted within his right in declaring and repeating that Dreyfus was guilty.

At the end of the discussion the senate unanimously voted the order of the day in favor of the government.

The impression in the lobbies after the close of the debate and the adoption of the motion was that M. Scheurer Kestner's defense had received a death blow.

**Trading Stamps Declared Illegal.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The court of appeals of the District of Columbia, in an opinion by Justice Shepard, holds that "trading stamps" are illegal within the meaning of act of congress prohibiting lotteries and gift enterprises. The Trading Stamp company had arrangements with many merchants, by which trading stamps were given purchasers, and when a certain number of stamps were obtained articles could be obtained for them at the Stamp company's store.

**Mint Employees Dismissed.**

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 8.—Superintendent Kretz has notified 42 employees of the United States mint that their services would not be required after Dec. 15. The men dismissed were employed in the coining, refining and melting departments. The dismissals were the result of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Vanderlip's recent investigation here and the desire of the treasury department to save about $40,000 annually in the expenses of the Philadelphia mint.

**Fall River Elections.**

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 8.—The city election brought out a very large vote, due to the contest over the office of mayor and upon the license question. Amos M. Jackson, Republican, is elected over James H. Hoar, Democrat, by a small majority. The city went for license by 1,031 votes. The aldermanic board elected is six Republicans and three Democrats. The council is 18 Republicans and 9 Democrats. The vote for license is: Yeas, 6,379, nays, 5,345.

**Passed the Century Mark.**

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 8.—Mrs. Lydia C. Tenney of West Concord celebrated her one hundred and second birthday today. She was born at Bradford, Vt., Dec 8, 1795, joined the Congregational church in 1813 and was married in 1816. Of nine children she has one living, Daniel C., 75 years of age, with whom she makes her home. Mrs. Tenney is in good health.

**Barry's Opponent Dead.**

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Walter Croot, the London bantamweight who was knocked out by Jimmy Barry of Chicago in the last round of a 20 round contest before the National Sporting club last night is dead. It is thought his death was due to weakness of the heart. Barry surrendered to the police and was charged with manslaughter. He is out on bail.

**Killed by Mill Accident.**

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 8—John Santry, aged 50, a sawyer employed at the mills of the J. G. Smith company, died at the hospital from injuries received by the machine at which he was working going to pieces. He was horribly mutilated.

**Blanco Pardons More Cubans.**

HAVANA, Dec. 8.—Captain General Blanco, the governor general, has signed a decree pardoning 11 persons who have been imprisoned on charges of complicity in the insurgent movement.

## IN THE WORKHOUSE.

**Founder of the International Red Cross Society.**

In the workhouse of Heiden, in the canton of Appenzell, Henry Dunnant, the founder of the International Red Cross society, is passing the closing hours of his useful life, says the New York Tribune. His mind is impaired, and symptoms of insanity have appeared, so that it is doubtful whether he will ever know that it was to him that the international medical congress, held at Moscow a few weeks ago, unanimously awarded its prize as to "the man who has done the greatest service to humanity and medicine in the present age." Some years ago an announcement of Dunnant's destitute condition aroused universal astonishment and painful surprises, which were only set at rest when a statement was published to the effect that the dowager empress of Russia had settled upon him an annuity sufficiently large to enable him to end his days in comfort and peace. Unfortunately, these good intentions of the czarina do not appear to have materialized, or else the money which she intended for the founder of the Red Cross has been diverted and misappropriated by those intrusted with its transmission. This often happens in Russia, and it is the exception rather than the rule when a gift from any member of the imperial house reaches its destination.

**He Loved Truthfulness.**

A careless mason dropped a brick from the second story of a building on which he was at work, says an exchange. Leaning over the wall and glancing downward, he discovered a respectable citizen with his silk hat jammed over his eyes and ears, rising from a recumbent posture. The mason, in tones of apprehension, inquired: "Did that brick hit anyone down there?" The citizen, with great difficulty extricating himself from the extinguisher into which his hat had been converted, replied, with considerable wrath: "Yes, sir, it did. It hit me." "That's right," exclaimed the mason, in tones of undisguised admiration; "noble man, I would rather have wasted a thousand bricks than have you tell me a lie about it."

**Where Fish Cannot Live.**

The forms of sea life in the upper portion of the ocean waters may descend to a depth of 1,200 feet or so from the surface, but then succeeds a barren zone, which continues to within 360 feet to 300 feet from the bottom, where the deep sea creatures begin to appear.

**Upholds the Superintendent.**

ALBANY, Dec. 8.—Justice Alden Chester has rendered a decision upholding the action of State Superintendent of Public Instruction Charles R. Skinner in removing from office five members of the board of education at Dunkirk for holding an illegal meeting.


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*Quick Step of Reduced Prices.*

*Lonsdale Cambric*

the yd 8c

*Black Cotton Moreen*

the yd 16c.

*Best Wool Moreen*

the yard 37c.
Best Apron Check Gingham yd 4½c.
Best Indigo Blue Calico, yd 4½c
Best Black Mourning and Silver Grey Calicoes, the yd 4½c.

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Ladies' Combination Suits, in ecru, each 15c.
Misses' Combination Suits, each 35c.

*Hosiery and Mittens*

Ladies' Black Wool Hose, worth 25c pair, 15c.
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Ladies' Fine Black Cashmere Hose, double heels and toes, extra long 35c value, pair 25c.
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Ladies' Black Kersey Cloth Jackets, half lined with black silk serge, fly front, tailor made, instead of $7.50 each $5
Ladies' Very Stylish Beaver Kersey Jacket, box front, tailor made, half lined, fancy notched storm collar inlaid with velvet. Instead of $10 each $8.50.
Ladies' Rich Black Persian Cloth Jackets lined all through with heavy black satin, high fronts, storm collars. Instead of $12.50 at $10.
Ladies' Stylish Beaver Capes lined with satin sweep 27 inches long, trimmed on collar and down front with black Thibet fur. Instead of $8.50 at $5.
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## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATORS IN ANNUAL SESSION.

**Fish Distribution in the Second District—Inspection of Orange Farm—Many Town Tax Levies Voted—Report of Committee on Superintendents of Poor Accounts—Total Cost of Maintaining the Alms House $36,181 10—Miscellaneous Business.**

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GOSHEN Dec. 7.—The first matter to occupy the attention of the Board, this morning, was the report of the Fish Committee for the Second Assembly District. Mr. Brazee reported that he had expended $13 30 and for this amount had furnished for the streams of the county 10,000 yearling trout 360,000 trout fry; 30,000 wall-eyed pike, 70,000 black bass and 20,000 German trout.

Messrs. Iseman and Tuthill were the committee to visit Orange Farm. They reported a visit there on September 22nd. They found everything clean and in good condition. At the time of their visit there were 104 inmates. They also found that the conveniences for caring for the sick had greatly improved since the insane building had been devoted to hospital uses and that the invalids were better cared for now than ever before. Everything about the place betokened an earnest effort to maintain the institution in the best possible way. The report was received and filed.

Town taxes were levied as follows:

Montgomery—for audits $3 426 96; for poor fund, $2,000, for principal and and interest on bridge bonds, $4,717; for debts incurred by highway commissioner, $1 300; for note made by town board, $615; for roads and bridges $250.

Wawayanda—for audits, $320 10, for poor fund, $50.

Hamptonburgh—for audits, $797.55, for roads and bridges $250

Wallkill—for audits, $2 060 84, for roads and bridges, $250.

By resolution of Mr. Howell, of Hamptonburgh, the County Treasurer was authorized to transfer from the poor to the general fund the sum of $145.50 collected by the sheriff for fines.

Mr. Howell, chairman of the Committee to apportion sheriff's fines, reported and drafts were ordered drawn for the several amounts to the several towns entitled thereto.

REPORT ON SUPERINTENDENTS OF POOR

The Committee on Superintendents of the Poor accounts made a report. The recommendations sent Superintendent Merritt for the care he had taken in the preparation of his statement of accounts. They stated that the total number of inmates at the farm, Nov 1st 1896, was 116 that during the year 138 inmates had been received. During the same period 147 had been discharged or had died and that there were 107 in the institution on November 1st 1897

They recommended that drafts be drawn to the order of the superintendents of several towns as follows: W Sherland $1 015 56 Thomas Merritt, $1,037 30 Philip Hasbrouck $1 345 45.

The town audits of Monsink this year are $636 44 and not $1 646 44 as reported last week

The expense of running the alms house this year including all bills for the erection of barn, ice house and for all other improvements was $36 181 10 Of this amount $19 286 13 is chargeable against the towns for support of what is known as the town poor, i. e. the poor who are chargeable against the several towns of the county. The sum of $15,-2961 70 is the amount chargeable to the county poor $923 27 the balance, represents the produce of the farm.

On motion of Mr Tuthill, at the request of Mr. Wells, a committee was appointed to apportion these amounts among the several towns. The chairman appointed the committee on Superintendents of the Poor accounts to make the apportionment.

Mr. Bradley called up his motion to make the pay of the sheriff at Newburgh $50 and at Goshen $45 for keeping the grounds in condition. On motion of Mr. Mosher this was laid on the table.

The rest of the morning was devoted to committee work and the Board took a recess at noon until 1 30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The committee appointed to apportion the poor fund due the county from the several towns, reported and accompanied their report with a detailed statement, all of which was accepted by the Board.

The $2,000 to be raised by the City and Town of Newburgh for the support of the poor was apportioned as follows: City, $1,683.60; Town, $316 40.

The $5,840 required for the payment of principal and interest on account of the Chambers Creek bridge bonds were apportioned as follows: Town of Newburgh, $5,125 30; Town of Windsor, $714.70. The sum of $314.86 for repairs to Moodna Creek Bridge was apportioned in the following manner: Newburgh City, $239.65; Town of Cornwall, $31.76; Town of New Windsor, $33.45.

The following sums will be raised by the City of Newburgh: $1,683.60 for support of the poor, $249.65 for repairs to Moodna Creek Bridge and $5,125.30 to pay interest and principal on Chambers Creek bridge bonds. The town of Mount Hope will raise $509,60 for town audits. The town of Newburgh will raise $2,308.96 for town audits, also its share of the poor fund, and the usual amount for roads, etc. New Windsor will raise its apportionment of the Chambers Creek bridge indebtedness and Cornwall will do likewise with her share of the Moodna Creek bridge fund. The Town of Deerpark will raise $6,393.99 for town audits. Monroe will raise $1,872.87 for town audits and $1,000 to pay on bond of that amount in the Hooley matter, $315 to pay interest on said bonds, and the sum of $250 for roads and bridges.

The Committee on Surrogate's Accounts reported the bill of Special Surrogate Swezey correct and a draft was ordered.

Adjourned.

## THE HUDSON RIVER BRIDGE.

**The Two Companies to be Consolidated New Directors Chosen.**

The stockholders of the New York and New Jersey Bridge Company held a meeting in New York, Tuesday, for the purpose of electing a new Board of Directors. The stockholders authorized the directors to consolidate with the New Jersey company and bring the two companies under the control of one Board of managers.

The following new Board of Directors was elected. General James S. Clarkson, Philadelphia; John S. Runnells, Chicago. Daniel N. Lockwood, Buffalo; Louis Windmuller, George Young, Charles Smylie, William Bell, Thomas H. Bauchle and William H. Ely, New York; Lorenzo Duncan, John Loughran and Charles H. Swan, Brooklyn; and John C. Adams, Newburgh, N. Y.

## COMMANDER, JAMES A. GRIER.

**New Officers Chosen at Tuesday Night's Meeting of Capt. Jackson Post.**

Capt. William A. Jackson Post, No 30, G. A. R., elected officers, Tuesday night, as follows.

Commander—J. A. Grier.
S. V. C.—J. F. Roosa.
J. V. C.—C. W Rice.
Surg.—B. S. Keeler.
Chap.—G. W. Reed.
Q. W.—John Miles.
Trustees—R. O. Lewis, A. B. Wilbur, A. S. Wells.
Delegate to State Encampment—A. B. Wilbur.
Alternate—A E Lndington.

The new officers will be installed the first Tuesday in January.

**Taken to Walden for Burial.**

The remains of Miss Eliza Clineman, who died in this city, Sunday, were taken to Walden, to-day, for burial

Funeral services were conducted Monday night at 7.30, by Rev. Dr. Charles Beattie, at her late home, No 46 Hanford street.

## WONDERFUL WORK.

**If This Had Happened in San Francisco Instead of Middletown, More Than One Reader Would Dispute It.**

The average man is a doubter. It is due to this fact, coupled with necessity that such rapid strides have been made in mechanics and science. Curiosity and investigation are necessary in every business. Without it failure is the inevitable result. Middletown people are asked to investigate the following. It is a simple thing to do. The party interested is a citizen. He doesn't live in New York or Detroit Ask F. M. Newkirk, of 172 West Main street, if the following is not his experience with and opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills. He says—"There have been times when I wished I could quit work on account of my kidneys. I have had ten years of it Latterly my troubles have become complicated and weak stomach and dyspepsia preventing me from indulging in strong foods, such as I require to fit me for following my occupation. Back ache headache and dizziness accompanied this, often so severe that they made me wild. I took medicines of all kinds for my sickness, but I received little or no lasting relief until I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at J E. Mills' drug store. They seemed to help me right from the start and I kept on taking them until I was cured. The old pains and aches have left me and there is no indication of the trouble returning. They did for me all that any medicine could do. Indirectly they have helped my stomach, for now I can eat the strongest and richest food. I will always praise Doan's Kidney Pills. I can be spoken to any day, as I will be only too glad to give any further particulars."

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## IN ANCIENT GOSHEN.

**Some Local Notes—Personal Mention—Christmas Time—A Plea for Santa Claus.**

From a Special Correspondent.

—Mrs. Coudict will entertain the Ladies' Whist Club at her home in this village, Saturday afternoon.

—A number of Goshen people went to Chester, this afternoon, to attend the fair now in progress in that village for the benefit of the Episcopal Mission, which is now under the charge of the Rev. Mr. McGinnis, of Arden.

—The Rev. George C. Betts will preach at Ellenville, Friday of this week.

—The ladies of St. James's Guild held their monthly meeting at the chapel on Tuesday afternoon.

—The writer noticed, the other day, near a child's desk a calendar for the month of December, and has also noticed since then as the days before Christmas cease to be to-days and join the long concourse of yesterdays, each one is checked off as it passes. She has also picked up of late several lists, the composers of which have evidently been making heroic efforts to make the wishes and requirements of their families in regard to Christmas gifts coincide with the somewhat scanty contents of their purses, a problem with which many of their elders are doubtless now struggling also and which, often times, is as difficult of solution as those hateful examples in the arithmetic, in which A, B and C figure so largely and thrust their extremely complicated financial affairs upon a reluctant but helpless public. A child perhaps gets nearer the real spirit of Christmas than its elders. Its little gifts are generally the result of a loving thought, rather than a feeling of obligation into which their older brothers and sisters sometimes allow themselves to degenerate. It is only a child, too, who can be imbued with the thoroughly joyous spirit of the day, who sees the Christ child only an infant, cradled in the manger asleep, safe and smiling, on its mother's breast and catches no glimpse of the man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." Outside of Dickens' stories, Christmas is not a time of unalloyed joyahty to the average adult. It is a pity to take Santa Claus away from the children. He is such a jolly, harmless myth. Why, think what generations have heard the patter of his reindeers hoofs in every creaking of the frosty roof on Christmas Eve, have fancied that they could distinguish the jingling of the bells on their harness and have tried hard to "go to sleep like good children," so that he might have a chance to come down the chimney with his well filled pack on his back. Imagine a family of youngsters who had never hung up their stockings and crept out of bed in the grey dawn of morning to examine them. What a lot of little Gradgrinds they would be likely to turn out with only facts for their youthful minds to digest. Facts enough come in later years, stern ones too, many of them full measure, pressed down and running over, and it seems a pity to banish poor old Santa Claus, who has made so many happy in his day. There is surely room on many a hearth for him still.

G. B.

**Some Foolish People**

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it wears them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 25c. and 50c. Trial size free. At all druggists.

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All druggists sell Dr. Miles' Pain Pills

## MIGHT BE KNOCK-KNEED.

**Ohio Girl Refused to Exhibit and Lost Her Lawsuit.**

Had Miss Marie Prevoncha, of Sandusky, O., been one of the ladies of the ballet instead of a professional nurse she might now be $5,000 the richer, says the Chicago Chronicle. While on her way home one evening she stumbled over a piece of defective sidewalk, fell and sustained a severe injury to one of her legs above and below the knee. Subsequently she brought suit against the city, claiming $5,000 damages on account of her injuries. When Miss Prevoncha was placed on the stand the counsel for the city raised a point as to the character of the injury, and insisted that in order that the jury could better judge of the facts Miss Prevoncha should exhibit her injured limb to the jury.

"Never," she fairly hissed, as she pointed her finger at the city prosecutor. "The demand is monstrous." The prosecutor insisted and quoted authorities, and there was a long argument. The judge finally decided that it would be indelicate to enforce the demand and the case went to the jury, which returned a verdict for the city. It is believed that had the fair plaintiff made the exhibit suggested she would have secured damages. As she expressed it, however: "I am not a ballet girl, but a professional nurse, and prefer to lose the case rather than make such an exposure."

## BELIEVES IN SUFFOCATION.

**Russian Sect Which Thinks Martyrdom Necessary to Reach Heaven.**

Following upon the recent revelations concerning the self-immolating fanatics in the district of Tiraspol, Russia, the newspapers now report that there is a sect in the province of Kazan, the members of which advocate death by suffocation, believing that Heaven can only be gained by suffering martyrdom in this life. Consequently, says the London Daily News, when any member of the sect is supposed to be on the point of death, a small cushion is placed over the sufferer's mouth and held there until suffocation ensues, the other members standing around and singing psalms.

The work of suffocation is usually performed by an old woman, who is paid by the sect, and who is obliged to attend at once when a member is dying. As, however, it would be dangerous to carry on these practices in dwelling houses, the person to be suffocated is transported to a secret rendezvous, and, after death, is buried in some wood or ravine, all traces of the grave being carefully obliterated.

The report was recently current at Kazan that the police had discovered one of the meeting places of the sect, but no confirmation of this is obtainable.

**Finally Convinced.**

"I have been a great many years reaching the conclusion," she said, thoughtfully, "but I guess I may as well admit that my husband is the most indolent man alive."

"When did you discover it?"

"Yesterday evening he punctured his bicycle tire. Instead of going ahead and fixing it, he sat down for half an hour to see if it wouldn't get its second wind."

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Middletown Gas and Electric Light Co.

d Wed, Sat o Feb 1

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, N. Y., notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of Daniel Thompson, deceased late of the town of Crawford, in said county, that they are required to present such claims or statements thereof, with proper vouchers or verification thereof, to the subscriber, the administratrix of the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at her residence, in said town of Crawford, on or before the 27th day of December, 1897.

Dated June 23d, 1897.

ANNA THOMPSON, Administratrix.

d Wedsm Dec 22


## MIDDLETOWN TIME TABLES.

**Erie Railroad Co.**

Trains leave from Middletown Stations, beginning Nov. 28 1897, and continuing until further notice, as follows

Trains marked with * run daily. Trains Nos 601, 625, 606 617, 620 and run Sundays only All other trains daily except Sunday †Train Nos. 1 & 5 will stop only for passengers for Binghamton or west thereof—due notification must be given at the ticket office Trains with the following letters affixed indicate connection, viz: "G" with Newburg Branch via Greycourt; "P" with Newburg Short-cut Branch via Turners; "A" with Newburgh short cut via Arden "M" with Montgomery Branch, and "P" with Pine Island Branch.

GOING EAST.

| Nos | James St Sta. | Main St Sta |
|---|---|---|
| * 12 Chicago Ex | 4 19 a.m. | |
| * 10 New York Special | 6 01 " | |
| 26 Middletown Way | 6.30 " | ....6.32 a.m |
| 16 Orange Co Ex, G M | 7 10 " | ... 7.12 " |
| 28 Mountain Ex, T | 8.23 " | ... 8.25 " |
| 38 Del Val. Ex (M P G) | 10 48 " | |
| * 6 W Mail, (G except Su) | 12 56 p m. | ...12 57 p m |
| 30 Way, A M P G | 4 10 " | ...4.12 " |
| * 2 C & G T Ex "A" | 5 00 " | |
| * 8 C & St L Limited, | 5 35 " | |
| 22 P J Local T | 7 25 " | ...7.28 |
| * 14 Wells Fargo Express | 10 40 " | |
| 646 P J Local (Sun only) M P and G T | 8 23 a. m. | |
| 620P J Local (Su only) "G" | 5 05 p m | |
| 18 Milk (Sunday only) | 6 55 p m | |

GOING WEST

| Nos. | James St Sta. | Main St. Sta |
|---|---|---|
| * 17 Milk | 6 17 a.m. | |
| 2 Port Jervis Way | 10 36 " | ... 10 32 a.m |
| * 1 Day Express | †10 56 " | |
| 9 Corning Express | 11 25 " | |
| 11 Port Jervis Local | 1 04 p.m. | ... 1.01 p.m |
| 33 Port Jervis Exp | 3 40 " | .... 3.37 " |
| †* 5 C & St. L Exp | 4 16 " | |
| 27 Mountain Exp | 5 42 " | .... 5 38 " |
| 15 Orange Co Exp | 6 46 " | .... 6 41 " |
| 25 Middletown Way ar | 8 05 " | .... 8 03 " |
| * 7 C & G T Exp. | 9 34 " | |
| 29 Way | 9 13 " | |
| * 3 Chicago Exp | 11 12 " | |
| 601 Sunday Local | 10 38 a. m | |
| 625 P J Way (Sun only) | 3 05 p m | |
| 617 " " " | 10 29 " | |

Passenger trains for Middletown leave foot of Chamber street, New York, at *1 00, 7 45, 9 15, 10 30 a. m.; 1.00, 3 30, 4 30, 7 30, 6 30,*7 30, *8 45 p. m * Also additional Sunday trains at 7.45, a m 12 30 and 7 30 p m.

**Crawford Branch.**

GOING NORTH.

| No | Leave for | James St. Sta. | Main St Sta |
|---|---|---|---|
| 101 | Pine Bush Mail | 11 35 a.m. | ....11.40 a.m |
| *115 | " " " | | ... 6 55 p m |
| 601 | Sun only | 11 00 | ....11 10 a. m |

COMING SOUTH.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *128 | Arrive from Pine Bush | 8 16 a.m |
| *130 | " " " | 6.40 pm |

**N. Y., O. & W. R. R.**

NORTH.

Trains leave Wickham avenue depot, Middletown as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| No 9 First Milk | 7.45 a m |
| No. 11 Second Milk | 8 45 a m |
| No 1 Ontario Express | 10 55 a m |
| No. 7 Sullivan County Express | 6 15 p m |
| No. 5 Pacific Express | 8 45 p m |
| No. 21 Local | 11.00 a m |

SOUTH.

Trains leave Wickham avenue depot for New York as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 8 Mountain Express | 8.10 a m |
| No. 22 Local | 2.30 p m |
| No. 2 New York Express | 4.30 p m |
| No 12 First Milk | 6.00 p m |
| No 10 Second Milk | 7.35 p m |
| No. 6 Atlantic Express | 6.43 p m |

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### WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—Fair to-night and Thursday.

### THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 32°; 12 m., 39°; 3 p. m., 40°.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8, 1897.

There has been a marked decrease in our exports during the past three months and this may be accepted as evidence that the Dingley tariff has already begun to affect our export trade. And when the raw material imported in anticipation of higher duties is used up and manufacturers have to pay heavy duties on the crude materials which they use, they will find it still more difficult to hold their own in foreign markets and a still further decrease in exports will result.

The Citizens' Union report that its Seth Low campaign cost $148,000 or nearly a dollar for every vote that the candidate received. This was not, however, the total cost of the Low campaign for the Brookfield Republicans and the Citizens' Committee of Fifty in Brooklyn spent about $50,000. When the better element goes into politics it seems to find as many uses for money as the practical politician. The only difference is that the practical politician gets more results for what he gives up.

The Goshen Presbyterian Church has raised enough money to maintain for a year a missionary among the colored population of that village. His work will be chiefly among the younger negroes, and in addition to religious instruction, will include industrial training as a preparation for useful manhood and womanhood. The field is a large one, and if this experiment in practical beneficence succeeds in Goshen, it may encourage some Middletown church or all the Middletown churches to attempt to uplift Middletown's negro population.

### LINED UP FOR THE FRAY.

**Joint Committee Which Will Endeavor to Keep Republican Hands Off Republican Knives.**

The ARGUS pipe line's adjustment is perfect, to-day. The kinks put in it, Tuesday, by some of our Republican friends made its working unreliable, but it's all right, to-day.

Here is the make-up of the two teams about to enter into the scrap, which will decide whether Tompkins or Dayton will be the drum major of the harmony band:

ANTIS.

First Ward—John S. Cooper.
Second Ward—Lawes Robinson.
Third Ward—W. F. Dayton.
Fourth Ward—Chester M. Hardenbergh

REGULARS.

Ffrst Ward—H. W. Wiggins.
Second Ward—J. F. Moore.
Third Ward—C. L. Mead.
Fourth Ward—Daniel Finn.

A rehearsal was held, Monday night, in H. W. Wiggins' office, Chester M. Hardenbergh, the Oil King from the Fourth Ward, was chosen chairman.

The discussion was peaceful and consequently resulted in nothing. It was finally decided to send to Newburgh for Boss Odell's plan of organization there and adopt it here if it suits the antis.

The members of the joint committee then adjourned subject to the call of the chairman. All were present except Mr. Mead and it is understood that he is not wanted on the committee by the antis.

"He has got to go and so has the whole city committee."

That is the antis' slogan and they say they will stand by it, for it, and through it.

### TO-NIGHT'S LECTURE.

**Evangelist Geil Has Pushed the Sale and Disposal of Tickets Since His Arrival in Town.**

To-night, at the Casino, Evangelist William E. Geil will deliver his lecture on "Patmos." He will have a large audience, though at 2 o'clock this afternoon 213 seats were yet to be marked off. The sale of seats was progressing very slowly until the arrival here of the evangelist, but he infused new life into the sale, taking 200 seats from those at Dusenberry & Son's, Tuesday afternoon, and distributing them among workers.

Nothing which has been given in this city in a long time has been so thoroughly advertised as has this lecture. Committees without end have made a careful canvass of the city.

Mr. Geil ought to be well pleased with his treatment here.

**Some Middletown Subjects at Baldy's Goshen Hypnotic Show.**

Middletown is well represented at Baldy's hypnotic entertainments in Goshen, this week. Among the occupants of chairs upon the stage are such well known subjects as "Jack" Claffy, "Red" Hurley, "Fish" Brown, "Feather" Lorgan, "Hatchie" Crans, and "Spesh" Fuller.

**A German Bare at Gunther's.**

A German bare shot at Sugar Loaf by I. B. Larue is displayed in front of Gunther's. The bare or its progenetors doubtless escaped from Tuxedo Park.

### THE GREAT BICYLE RACE.

**Leaders Far Past the 1,000 Mile Mark—Just Half the Men Have Quit—The Score.**

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Just half the original starters in the great bicycle race are now in the contest. Of the eighteen who remain it is believed that a dozen will finish.

Miller, who had a splendid lead, was riding strong, this morning, and circling the track in easy style.

The rivalry between the German and French riders is interesting. The Germans stick closely together and encourage each other, while the French coach each other in their native tongue.

Waller to-day is not considered a serious factor, and Hale, who receives more applause than any of the others, causes it to be given out that he no longer expects to win and is willing to bet ten to one on Miller, but Hale on occasions heretofore has shown himself prone to slyness.

Rice showed as few signs of exhaustion as any of the riders this morning and holds himself within easy hailing of Miller. There were two spills during the early morning and Miller's wheel slipped from him as he was dismounting, throwing him down.

Miller completed a thousand miles at 9:25, after riding in splendid shape for fifty-seven hours and ten minutes. Rice passed the thousand mile mark at 12:37, Rievirre and Schinneer following a few minutes later.

At 2:15 p. m. the score was: Miller, 1,067; Rivierre, 1,025; Rice, 1,013; Schinneer, 1,004; Moore, 975; Stephane, 952; Pierce, 852. The best previous record for 62 hours was 948 miles.

The score at 3:15 was: Miller, 1,087; Rice, 1,032; Rivierre, 1,027; Schinneer, 1,017; Moore, 990; Stephane, 956; Hale, 954; Pierce, 946; Waller, 947; Elkes, 901; Golden, 888; Enterman, 863.

### GUILTY OF MANY CRIMES.

**One of Farmer Nichols' Murderers Confesses That and Other Crimes.**

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 8.—In the trial of Chas. Boinay, charged with murdering Farmer Nichols, the prisoner's alleged accomplice, Weeks, confessed the robbery and murder of Nichols and many other crimes in New York and northern Pennsylvania.

### MRS. MCKINLEY MUCH WEAKER.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CANTON, Dec. 8.—Mrs. McKinley was resting quietly this morning, but was materially weaker. She was very restless during the early morning hours and seemed to be failing rapidly.

### COLD SPRING POST OFFICE ROBBED

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEWBURGH, Dec. 8—The post office at Cold Spring was robbed, last night, of $35 in cash and stamps.

### O. AND W. USED HIM WELL.

**John Maulik Effects a Satisfactory Settlement.**

John Maulik, of Rockland, was in this city, Tuesday afternoon, and effected a settlement with the O. and W. for the accident which occurred, last summer, when the observation engine struck the wagon into which he and his family were riding and killed two of the children and injured him severely.

Until Mr. Maulik recovered from his injuries the company paid all the physicians' bills and kept a trained nurse at his beck and call. Propositions looking to a settlement of the matter were made and Mr. Maulik came here, Tuesday, accompanied by James F. Wood, and after a conference with the O. and W. people settled all claims against them for $3,000.

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### "THE COMING OF THE KING."

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As usual there was a packed house at the musical festival service in Grace Church, Tuesday evening. Not a pew was empty and many late comers had to stand during the entire performance, which lasted about an hour and a half.

Rev. David Evans, the rector, opened the service with the customary intoned prayers and Rev. Mr. Betts, of Goshen, read an appropriate lesson from the Psalms, after which Dudley Buck's cantata, "The Coming of the King," was sung without one break of any kind.

Before mentioning the soloists, it may be remarked that the chorus furnished many of the finest numbers. It did not seem as if one of the thirty-five voices missed a single entrance or sang a false note. The difficult fugue, "And a Branch Shall Come Forth," rolled out in a steady unbroken rhythm and even in the most intricate passages the parts were perfectly balanced. During this fugue the registration of the instrument gradually lowered until the voices were practically unaccompanied, giving a beautiful effect, and showing at the same time the conductor's confidence in the ability of the choir in a way that must have been flattering to them.

The male choruses were particularly interesting. The same may be said of the female trio in part 1, sung by Mrs. Harvey Wickham, Mrs. C. Macardell, Jr., and Mrs. Bertha Olney, and also of the male trio, "We Three Kings," by Messrs. Mills, Greene and Eilenberger, with incidental solos by Mr. Mills and Mr. Greene.

Mrs. Harvey Wickham sang even better than usual. Every note in her voice seemed perfectly placed and under control.

"The Virginia Lullaby," sung by Miss Julia Wickham, was pronounced by many the gem of the evening, though in a performance so uniformly good it is hard to choose.

Harry Fisher sang with great enthusiasm and added to his popularity, while David E. Eilenberger sang the most elaborate part of all with an ease which bespoke the professional.

Mrs. C. H. Sweezy did not appear as a soloists in the cantata, but during the offertory sang in an exquisite manner a song by H. R. Shelly. Her voice was perfectly fresh and bore no signs of her hearty participation in the heavy choral work that had gone before.

The organ accompaniments of Mr. Wickham were very effective and abounded in orchestral effects which the fine Raynor organ made possible.

Arrangements are being made to repeat the cantata before Christmas Day if possible.

The next musical event at Grace Church will be the song and organ recital by Harvey Wickham and Dr. Carl Martin, of New York. It is booked for Thursday evening, Dec. 16.

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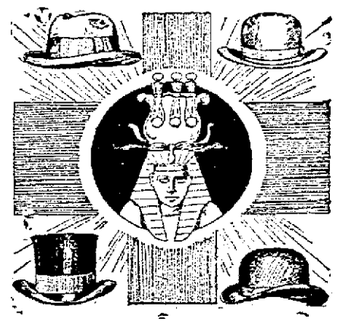

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DAILY ARGUS.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8, 1897.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—"Patmos" lecture at the Casino, to-night.
—Dance at Columbia Park.
—Low price on coats at Geo. B. Adams & Co.'s
—Holiday goods at Economy Store.
—Erie House, Goshen.
—Pork 9 cents at J. Chas Schwartz's.
—Cottage Hotel entertainments.

### LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—*Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today.*

—Geil—Casino—To-night. 1t

—Patmos—Casino—To-night. 1t

—Dr. and Mrs. Redfield will be at home to-morrow evening from 8 to 10.

—Spectators are asked to refrain from attending the rehearsals of Priscilla.

—Eight new cases of typhoid fever were reported in Paterson, Monday, and four, Tuesday.

—Remember the ball of Wallkill Engine Company, Thursday night, at the Assembly Rooms.

—Remember that the chart for Priscilla is opened at H. S. Dusenberry & Son's, to-morrow, at 9 o'clock.

—Since Mr. Geil's arrival in town, H. S. Dusenberry & Son have been busy marking off seats for Patmos to-night. 1

—To-day, being the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, masses were celebrated in St. Joseph's Church at 9 and 11 o'clock.

—When you're looking ahead for coming events remember George Lea's big masquerade ball. It will excel anything of the kind ever attempted before.

—The 100th anniversary of Rockland county's separation from Orange county will occur Feb 23d and the *Nyack Star* suggests the celebration of the event.

—Some of the sidewalks, this morning, were beautifully and elaborately decorated with crystaline traceries, the work of that incomparable artist, Jack Frost.

—The Priscilla rehearsal at Searing Hall, Tuesday night, was a good one. The attendance was large and the interest taken insures a successful presentation.

—That brilliant American evangelist, author and traveler, W. E. Geil, will speak to the cultured and refined, as well as to all classes, at the Casino, to-night. 1t

—We predict that the largest audience ever attendant upon a lecture in this city will be at the Casino, to-night, to hear America's brilliant evangelist, Wm. Edgar Geil. 1t

—The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. J. V. Demerest on Montgomery street, 3 o'clock, Thursday afternoon.

—The ARGUS is indebted to the Port Jervis *Gazette* for the pictures of Schultz and Sheriff Cortright. The *Gazette's* representative Ed. Bennett, was present at the hanging.

—One of the North street gates of the Erie and tower are being moved a few feet to the west. It was found that the tower was slightly on the Bell House property.

—The report that all the members of a prominent family in this city were privately immersed by Evangelist Geil at the First Baptist Church, Tuesday, is without foundation.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Second Presbyterian Church will be held at the home of Mrs. Boyce on Houston avenue, Thursday afternoon, at 2:30.

—The "Pat-Geil" announcements with which the town is liberally placarded may perhaps attract attention to the Geil lecture, but they certainly add no dignity to the lecturer or his theme.

—Port Jervis's Board of Trustees has voted not to pay Martin White $25,000 for injuries alleged to have been sustained by falling from a wagon on one of the village streets. Suit will now be brought.

—Hon. T. N. Little collected $25 for William P. Brown, a poor man who recently lost his horse. He paid the money to Mr. Brown, who has since bought a horse of Daniel M. Baker and is again at work.

—Mr. Geil, the man who has spoken to the largest audiences ever gathered in this city, will deliver his brilliant illustrated lecture or conversation on "a trip to Patmos." It will be a good time for we all know Mr. Geil's ability. 1t

—To-night at the Casino will not be a little foolishness to make the audience laugh, although Mr. Geil is an expert at side-splitting work, but an entertaining, educating, elevating conversation of lasting value. The most splendid work of European artists will go upon the canvas. 1t

—Monhagens clam bake will be served about 10 o'clock, to-night. It will be preceded by two hours' entertainment, including a solo by Harry Fisher, quartette music by Z. K. Greene, A. Marvin, C. A. Whitney and Harry Fisher. H. C. Ogden will give phonograph selections and several blank cylinders will register the songs of the evening.

### PERSONAL.

—Mrs. George S. Belding is visiting in New York city.

—Silas Vail, who lives on the Mt. Hope road, is in a precarious condition.

—Mrs. A. J. Hornbeck is the guest of Mrs. Elmer E. Bush, in Jersey City.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gunther returned from New York city, Tuesday. Monday night they attended the ball of the Independent Schenitzen Corps, which occurred at the Central Opera House.

—H. H. Blanchard, jr., formerly of this city but of late of New York city, has resigned his position as steward of the St. Marc Hotel and accepted a position with Geo. Sawyer, of Hartford, Conn., as assistant manager of his cafe.

HERMAN PALL SCHULTZ

### BIG DAY FOR MILFORD.

**Scenes in and About the Jail at the Schultz Hanging as Described by Dr Howard J. Powelson.**

Dr. Howard J. Powelson returned from Milford, Tuesday afternoon, after witnessing the hanging of Schultz, and when a reporter halted him in front of the post office at 7 o'clock, that evening, a crowd formed in a few moments to hear his story. It was in substance as told in Tuesday's ARGUS, but there were new facts which will interest. He said:

Sheriff Cortright had room for about 100 when the hanging occurred, but many were satisfied with taking a look at the noose and black cap, which were passed about the town. When Schultz was brought in the execution room at 11:08, the space was packed and the grounds outside were dense with people. Sheriff Cortright asked the crowd to be quiet just before Schultz appeared, saying: "Keep still, boys, I'm going to bring him in. You can whoop it up afterward."

Schultz prayed, and when deputies pinioned his arms together, he smiled on the Sheriff and told him that the rope tickled his neck. The cap was pulled over his face, and he was slowly pulled up about three feet from the floor where he slowly died of strangulation. When the doctors pronounced him dead the body was lowered to the floor and the rope cut. The black cap was pulled up enough to allow the face to be exposed, and while the body lay there on the floor the Sheriff called in the multitude to look at the lifeless features.

Then a grand rush was made to get in. Men and women shoved and pushed each other until all had seen the body. After the crowd had departed the County Commissioners stood ready to place the body in a box to be shipped to a Philadelphia medical college. Schultz's sons having declined to care for it.

Schultz's last request was that his wife's skull, which was used in evidence and which is now in the possession of a Port Jervis physician, be buried with his own skull.

Dr. Powelson brought home as a souvenir the calendar which hung in Schultz's cell. He had marked off the days before his hanging as they passed, and around December 7 was drawn a noose. The doctor also secured a verse from the Bible which Schultz had copied in lead pencil on a small piece of paper.

Dr Powelson states that when it was time to put the body in the box the county commissioners had the box and the sheriff had the key. The sheriff was not sure where his fee was coming from and he declined to give up the key. A wrangle ensued, but the key was finally given up.

The corpse was taken to Port Jervis and put on board the 3:30 express train to be delivered to the State Board of Anatomy at Philadelphia.

This is the first legal hanging ever held in Pike county and was conducted economically. District Attorney Van Auken, who conducted the prosecution, receives $13, and Schultz's attorney, J. H. Van Etten gets nothing. The sheriff's fee for the hanging is $15, but as he paid $10 for the noose he will net only $5. As the county receives $15 from the Anatomy Board for the body this will pay the sheriff's fee.

**Goshen People Coming to Prise Ba.**

Special cars will leave Goshen at 7:15 each night of the production of Priscilla, for the convenience of those of the county seat who are preparing to attend. Special care will be in readiness returning.

Tickets may be secured at Dikeman's drug store, where pictures of the cast may be seen. Purchasers should remember to mark their seats off the chart early Thursday morning.

**Mr. Harriman President of the State Horse Breeders' Association.**

E. H. Harriman, of Arden, was elected president of the New York State Horse Breeders' Association, at the annual meeting held at Syracuse yesterday. H. M. Bain, of Ponghkeepsie, was elected treasurer.

**Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder.**

Rev. W. H. Main, pastor of the Baptist Emanuel Church, Buffalo, gives strong testimony for and is a firm believer in Dr Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. He has tried many kind of remedies without avail. "After using Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder I was benefited at once," are his words. It is a wonderful remedy. It relieves instantly.

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### "PAT mos."

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To spoil the look of Patmos isle,
With your little "i-s" and your great big **PAT.**
So be quiet of what you're at.'
Sure, tricks like these but ill beseem
The theme of a Bible theme.
And let the "moss" we tell you flat,
You're going together with jokes like that.
You very nearly spoil our pile
And won't it shrink your pile,
By such irreverence Brother Geil,
And decent people all cry "Scat"

### WAS ELSIE S. POISONED?

**Trotting Association's Board of Review Finds Little Evidence to support the Charge.**

The alleged poisoning of E. H. Harriman's filly Elsie S. at Goshen came before the Board of Review of the National Trotting Association at a meeting held at the Murray Hill Hotel in New York, Tuesday.

Elsie S. was engaged in a sweepstakes of $2,500 a corner against J. Malcolm Forbes' Nowaday and Marcus Daly's Limerick. The race took place on Saturday, August 28, and Limerick won from Nowaday. Elsie S. started, but was so plainly amiss that Mr. Harriman told all his friends not to back her. She had won a good race on the preceding Wednesday. A day or two after this Saturday race rumors were rife around Goshen that Elsie S. had been poisoned and on September 8, nearly two weeks afterward, Ira Ryerson sent a small portion of the filly's excreted food to Dr. Ernest J. Ledetle, chief chemist of the New York Board of Health, for analysis. He found one-tenth of one grain of strychnine in about two and a half ounces of matter, but as Ryerson left for Europe Tuesday, there was no evidence to prove for or to support the theory that the matter examined came from Elsie S.

Dr. Arrowsmith, a Jersey City veterinarian and other local experts when they saw Elsie S. in her stall on the day of the race, August 28, held that she was but muscle sore, the direct result of her hard race two days before. There seems to be no evidence before the Board on which they can act, as was argued by W. C. Young, Ryerson's counsel, and from what could be learned from Goshen horsemen, there are not half a dozen who take any stock in the poisoning story.

### LAWRENCE WON THE MATCH.

**Defeated Faulkner and Van Sickle in a Pigeon Shoot.**

A number of local pigeon shots were at "The Maples" Tuesday afternoon, to participate in a pigeon shoot. A match was finally arranged between Faulkner, Van Sickle and Lawrence. Each had fifteen birds. Lawrence brought down thirteen, Faulkner eleven and Van Sickle eight. Another match will be shot in the near future.

**Heavy Fog on the Hudson, This Morning.**

There was a very heavy fog on the Hudson River, this morning, causing Erie train 21 to leave half an hour late. At 7:30 the John C. McCullough and a Hoboken boat collided, in passing they scraped badly and the Hoboken boat's side was broken in, and the Erie boat lost her rudder. The boats continued on their trips, no one being hurt.

**Dr Barnes to Reopen a Dental Office.**

Dr. F. M. Barnes, the well known dentist, after several years' retirement from practice, will soon announce his intention to resume the active practice of his profession. He has rented the entire second floor of the Kortzchan building, which he will fit up in handsome style, putting in all modern dental improvements.

**Abcess as the Result of a Fall.**

Groceryman John E. Corwin had a fall from a wagon, Friday last, and received injuries in his groin, which were not though of importance at first. An abcess formed, however, and gave Mr. Corwin excruciating pain until Tuesday, when it was lanced, and improvement is already noticeable.

**"Green Goods" Circulars in Town.**

Several persons in this city and vicinity have recently received "green goods" circulars mailed in Philadelphia. So far as known, no one has bitten but there's no telling. There seems to be a new crop of fools born every year and this ancient swindle thrives as never before.

**To Give a Kirmess in Rutherford.**

Miss Lila Stewart has arranged to give a kirmess in Rutherford, beginning January 10.

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## AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

**Stole a Robe—Want to Lease the Driving Park—Preparing to Hold a Fair—Started for Southern California—Saved His Umbrella—Other Notes.**

From Our Regular Correspondent

—One night last week some one entered the barn of V. L. Spohr, the butcher, and stole a plain black robe.

—The steamer on which Messrs. Theo. A. Lawrence and Ira Ryerson expected to leave for Germany in, with their string of horses, sailed yesterday.

—A number of applications for the lease of the Goshen Driving Park are under consideration by the officials of the association.

—James Haggerty has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to come out of doors.

—The Ladies' Social Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church has arranged for a fair to be held in the chapel, Thursday afternoon, Dec. 16, at 3 o'clock. Contributions may be left on Monday and Tuesday preceding the fair at the residence of Mrs. J. H. Thompson. The committee consists of the following ladies: Mrs. Mary Wright Sayer, Mrs. J. W. Hayne, Miss Miller and Mrs. M. A. Howell.

—The Red Men will meet, to-morrow night.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Van Vliet left on train 5, last night, to attend the funeral of the late Wm. M. Murray.

—All members of Maj Murray Camp, S. of V., are requested to be present at company meeting at 7:30, to-night.

—Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Jessup and John, their son, left on train 5, last night, en route to Lower California, where they expect to spend the winter.

—Judge Sweezy stepped to the door of his residence, last night, just in time to neck a "sneaker," who was about to leave with His Honor's umbrella. The thief left immediately and likewise left the umbrella.

—A geographical and descriptive lecture was given at the high school, yesterday, by an ex-missionary.

### RUNAWAY ON NORTH STREET.

**Market Gardener Townsend's Team Wrecked Mrs. Collins' Wagon.**

Market Gardener Townsend, of Circleville, left his team standing in front of Bull & Youngblood's, at 12:20, to-day. They became frightened and ran up North street. At Crawford's furniture store the wagon collided with that of Mrs. M. Collins, of VanBurenville. The team ran as far as A. J. Hornbeck's, where Mr. Hornbeck stopped them.

Mrs. Collins' wagon was damaged to the extent of a broken front wheel. Mr. Townsend caused the damage to be repaired, and she returned home.

**Free Organ Recital in the Goshen Presbyterian Church.**

W. W. Whilldin, the talented organist of the Presbyterian Church of Goshen, announces a series of four organ recitals on his great church organ.

The first one will occur Thursday evening, Dec. 9, at 8:15. He will be assisted by Mrs. C. H. Sweezy, of this city, who will sing an aria from "The Queen of Sheba" by Gounod.

These recitals will be free to the public for the advancement of art in music.

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Ask your grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. One-fourth the price of coffee.—15c. and 25 cts. per package. Sold by all grocers.

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Our Handkerchiefs, Pocketbooks, New Fans Hand Decorated Opal Goods, Dress Suit Cases, Umbrellas, etc., are here and ready for the holiday trade. You can save from 20 to 35c a yard on your carpet purchases if you buy this month. Smith's Best Moquette Carpets at 89c a yard. Rich Velvet Carpets all new, at 89c a yard. Fine Wire Tapestry Brussels at 75c a yard. Extra Super All Wool Ingrain Carpets at 50c a yard. Good Floor Oil Cloth at 15c a square yard. This sale will close Dec. 31st, 1897.

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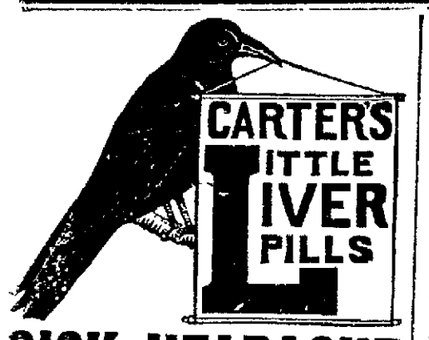


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Dated November 22d, 1897.

MARY S. LITTLE, Administratrix.
S. M. BOYD, Attorney for Administratrix.
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## A LOST WORLD.

I used to live in a better world,
A long, long ways from here,
Where the skies were blue and our hearts were true,
And the days were filled with cheer.
There song and shine gave me and mine
A marvelous round of joys,
For the moments brought their gifts unbought
In that world that was made for boys.

The long, long days were golden days,
And our hearts beat warm and high,
For eye and ear could see and hear
The charm of earth and sky.
We loitered long by the brook's sweet song,
And we drank at the springs of Truth
In that land of joys that was made for boys—
The wonderful realms of youth.

I long to dwell in that world once more,
Where the happiest blessings fall;
But I lost it when, for the world of men,
I traded it, once for all.
I long to stray through a grass-grown way
To the boundless fields of joy,
And give my gold and a world grown cold
For the heart of a careless boy.

—Nixon Waterman, in L. A. W. Bulletin.

## THE STORY OF A STAMPEDE.

BY J. B. CRANFILL.

COWBOY life 20 years ago in Texas was very different from what it is to-day. Then the big ranches were unknown and the cattle were raised in the open prairies, and the "maverick" had not become extinct. It was in the years just preceding the incident here related that I saw service as a cowboy and was thoroughly familiar with life on the trails. Of the incident itself I was not an eye-witness, but it was told to me by my friend, Mr. M. B. Davis, an old Texas ranger and cowboy, who is to the early life of Texas what Joaquin Miller is to California. I give the story as nearly as I can remember it just as it came from his lips. It chronicles one of the most desperate stampedes ever witnessed by a Texas cowboy.

In 1876 the Wilson brothers, of Kansas City, having purchased over 15,000 head of cattle in Hamilton, Comanche, Coryell and Bell counties, and having arranged to centralize the herd near Comanche Springs, in McLennan county, drove to the Bennett hills and went into camp to await the carrying out of their orders. These cattle were driven across the Leon at various suitable fords and converged on that beautiful prairie, in the center of which now stands the town of McGregor. On the Fourth of July of that year the entire herd was under way, headed for Towash on the Brazos river. It was a magnificent army of steers, in superb condition, kept together by a corps of 25 cowboys, mounted on bronchos—men experienced in the business. The herd was not pressed, the object being to let them graze on the rich herbage, with a view to keeping them in good condition and reaching the market in time to catch the best prices in the fall of the year. At four o'clock in the afternoon there were signs of an electric storm. A black cloud showed above the foothills, and the sun shining against it painted a rainbow which appeared to touch the earth at both ends. The entire herd became nervous and showed their fear by those low bellowings, ominous to the experienced cattleman as the muttering thunder. The cowboys were experienced men, and they kept the moving mass well in hand, so that when the sun set all was well, and the cattle were bedded on the plains near the South Bosque, and night settled in with the promise of a safe crossing at the Brazos the next day. A detail of four cowboys was made for the first watch, and these mounted sentinels took their places and rode silently around the sleeping squadron of long-horns. The first watch ended at nine o'clock, and the second watch went on duty. It was during the second watch that the memorable Wilson stampede occurred.

At ten o'clock the cattle appeared to be sleeping profoundly. The cowboys say that cattle dream and see ghosts; it is certain that this drove of 15,000 was nervous, made so, perhaps, by the thunderstorm of the previous afternoon and the rainbow which they had eyed with suspicion. It is likely that a great many cattle in that vast accumulation had never seen such a rainbow. It was quiet throughout the arch and very broad; the lightning, too, was very vivid, and the thunderclaps that followed were like sharp artillery. The cowboys insisted long afterward that it was the thunderstorm and the rainbow of the afternoon that caused the stampede that night. Be that as it may, it was a stampede that the cattlemen who witnessed it have never forgotten, and are still telling of to posterity.

The stars were all shining, and there was no cause at all for the arousing of the herd. They appeared to get up all at once, with a single purpose, and the roar that was heard seemed to come from a single throat. The Wilson brothers and their cowboys who were sleeping in their camp rushed to their ponies who were grazing with the saddles and bridles on, and as fast as the bits could be replaced in their mouths they mounted and galloped to the flanks of the now disappearing mass, headed in the direction of the Brazos river.

The cowboys on guard took the usual course in such cases; they kept out of the way of the charging mass, and galloped on the flanks, moving toward the head of the column, hoping to "point them off," as they call it, and start them moving in a circle. The boys who formed the guard, in galloping along the front of the stampede, saw the eyes of the terrified brutes emitting fire and their tongues protruding. They uttered those low notes of terror so familiar on the plains, and galloped madly along, suffering from a panic for which no real cause existed on earth.

"What's the matter with the cattle?" asked a tenderfoot, as he galloped beside an old cowboy.

"They've seen the devil, I expect," the cowboy replied; "and we will catch it before we get through with this thing."

As the herd rushed on their horns rattled together, and all the horns of 15,000 head of cattle rattling together sounded like an immense concert of castanets.

Cattle are not able to sustain a long run, and this the cowboys know. For instance, a mad speed of five miles is enough to break down almost any steer; and the cattlemen knew how the country lay beyond them, and in this respect they had an advantage.

The reenforcement of the cowboys who were off duty, and who had hastily mounted and joined those on watch at the time, gave them a strong advantage in the efforts being made to stop the stampede. The plan was to get the cattle to "milling," or running in a circle. The elder of the Wilson brothers had been a cowboy from childhood. He was riding a cream-colored stallion, and as he passed me he had his Colt's revolver in his hand. One of the cowboys on a gray horse was able to keep up with him. These two distanced all the others. They rode across the front of the stampede, which is a feat attended with terrific danger; for when a rider is in front of the rushing drove of mad cattle, if his horse should stumble and fall, he may be put down as a thing of the past. The herd will "wipe him out." This Mr. Wilson knew, and the cowboy riding close to his crupper also knew; but they were going to take all the dangers and get that herd running in a circle if it were possible to do so.

Some cattle can outrun others, and in this case there was a bunch of about 50 fully 20 yards in advance, and toward this leading group the two rescuers rode. Of the leading group, also, some were faster than others, and this group ran in a diamond shape, with two immense steers leading all. When Mr. Wilson and his companion reached the two leading steers they began shooting their revolvers close to them, and in that way the bunch was made to oblique, and as the leading bunch of cattle obliqued the main stampede obliqued, and the first step in "milling" had been taken. By this time the cattle were getting tired. Nearly five miles had been covered, and the breath of the leaders was coming short and painfully; but they were rushing on, because the front cattle at this time knew as a matter of fact their only safety was in keeping up the run. Those behind were coming, and they were in the majority, and the leaders were compelled to run. There was real danger for the forward members of the stampede.

In the invoice of articles contained in the regulation "outfit," there is always some kind of stimulants; and but for the stimulants contained in Mr. Wilson's outfit, it is possible that the stampede would have been halted without disaster. He had a Mexican along, one of the best cowboys in the southwest. This Mexican and his horse always reminded those who saw him ride of the fabled centaur. He rode far forward and bent over, so that he and his horse appeared to be one animal. No horse, however, rugged, "wild and woolly," had ever been able to unseat him. This Aztec had been to the little brandy roulet too often, and had filled and emptied his tin cup with surreptitious intoxicants, so that his usual excellent judgment went awry. When he succeeded in getting mounted, after having fumbled with his bridle a good deal he was far in the rear and the stampede had gone past him, so that when he overtook the rear end, he passed to the front on the other sides, and rode on the wrong flank. When he reached the head of the herd he was just in time to defeat the maneuver then under execution of bending the moving mass from a straight line to a semicircle. Revolver in hand, disregarding the other men, he began shooting in the faces of the wild steers; and the effect of this was to straighten the run and bring the advance straight toward a precipice. This precipice was a wash in the prairie, forming a deep ravine fully 30 yards wide; and in a shorter time than it takes to tell of this centretemps the head of the column was pouring over, a horrible cascade of beef, plunging madly into destruction while fleeing from an imaginary danger. When Mr. Wilson and his lieutenants saw that it was impossible to save their cattle they saved themselves by dexterously turning at right angles at full speed and riding out of the way. They next returned to the flank and held a council of war. A few seconds decided them, and all hands commenced shooting into the herd, the object now being to build a breast-work of carcasses and save the rear end from the destruction that had overtaken the front. The gulley was nearly full of cattle by this time. They were snorting and bellowing, crashing and tearing, and still heaping up; and when the firing began the wounded ones tumbled over on the others, and in a short time the gulley, like the sunken road at Waterloo, was bridged by carcasses. The herd surged up in billows, like an ocean, and bent now, because it could not do otherwise. The semicircle was formed, and Wilson and his men crossed the gulley below and rode around the opposite side and recrossed; and in a short time they had the cattle halted, forming an incomplete letter O, and there they stood, blowing, bellowing, shivering. All hands remained on watch all night, and in the morning when a count was made it was ascertained that 2,700 head were missing. There were afterward 2,700 pairs of horns taken from that gulley. It was called Stampede Gulley for many years afterward, and perhaps will always with some people, be remembered by that name.—N. Y. Independent.

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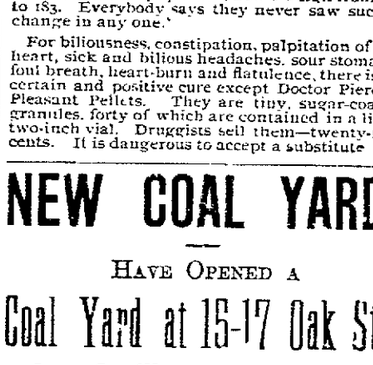

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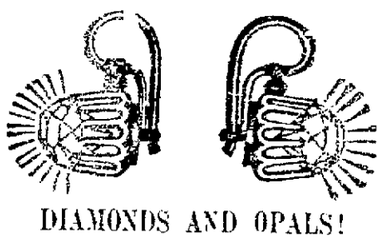

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Sheriff—What makes you think that?

Bronco Pete—You're here.—Puck.

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### He Felt Funereal.

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The Groom (nervously)—Yes, but where are my pall-bearers?—N. Y. Journal.

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24—West Main street and Wallkill avenue.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—W. Main street, corner Monhagen avenue.
213—State Hospital Gate.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital.
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shop.
35—High and Hanford streets.
36—Canal street, condensery.
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets.
38—Fairview avenue and Scott street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Houston avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
48—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenues.
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue.
54—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square.
21—Rung before a box number, denotes that a test is being made.

1 stroke denotes circuit broken.
2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.
4 strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.


### Would Not Be Without Dr. Hand's Colic Cure.

MEMPHIS, N. Y., Nov. 11, '95.—The Hand Medicine Co.—"Our baby, now nearly four months old, has been troubled ever since birth by Wind Colic. At first we tried the usual remedies, but until we tried Dr. Hand's Colic Cure found nothing that would give relief. Now we would not think of being without your Colic Cure and Dr. Hand's Remedies for Children, 25 cents. At all druggists.


J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. W. D. Olney.

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For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

When billious or costive, eat a Cascaret—candy cathartic—cure guaranteed, 10c.

### Mother Gray's Sweet Worm Powders

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NEW YORK ONTARIO AND WESTERN RAILWAY

**Time Table in Effect Sept. 20th, 1897.**

**NORTH BOUND.**

| STATIONS. | 11 | 1 | 27 | 7 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Mix | On't Day Ex p | Local | Sull'n Co. Exp | Chicago Limi |
| N. Y. Leave. | A M | A M | | P M | P M |
| Franklin St. | 3 20 | 7 40 | | 3 00 | 5 42 |
| W. 42d St., | 3 30 | 7 55 | | 3 15 | 6 15 |
| Weehawken | 4 00 | 8 10 | | 3 50 | 6 30 |
| Cornwall | 6 10 | 9 45 | | 5 10 | 7 50 |
| Fitchcliffe | 6 22 | 9 58 | | 5 22 | |
| Orr's Mills | 6 25 | 9 55 | | 5 08 | |
| Little Britain | 6 40 | 10 05 | | 5 10 | |
| Burnside | 6 56 | 10 16 | | 5 25 | |
| Campbell H. | 7 07 | 10 22 | | 5 34 | |
| Stony Ford | 7 15 | 10 27 | | 5 40 | 8 15 |
| M'town Main St. | 7 | 8 10 | 10 48 | 5 44 | |
| M'town ar | 7 30 | 10 45 | | 6 05 | 8 35 |
| M'town lv | 8 45 | 10 55 | | 6 15 | 8 45 |
| Winterton | 9 10 | 11 09 | | 6 35 | |
| Bloomingburgh | 9 21 | 11 15 | | 6 35 | |
| Wurtsboro | 9 28 | 11 19 | | 6 40 | |
| Summitville | 9 38 | 11 30 | | 6 50 | |
| Ellenville ar | 10 05 | 11 50 | | 7 10 | |
| Fallsburgh | 10 32 | 12 05 | | 7 20 | |
| Hurleyville | 10 58 | 12 12 | | 7 27 | |
| Ferndale | 11 15 | 01 22 | | 7 38 | |
| Liberty | 11 30 | 12 39 | | 7 44 | 9 58 |
| Parksville | 11 45 | 12 40 | | 7 55 | |
| Lyvgst'n M'r | 12 00 | 12 52 | | 8 08 | 10 12 |
| Rockland | 12 15 | 1 08 | | 8 20 | 13 |
| Cadosia | 1 20 | 2 00 | | | A M 10 52 |
| Walton | 2 10 | 2 45 | 12 45 | 8 05 | 11 35 |
| Maywood | | 3 14 | 2 10 | 8 38 | |
| Sidney | | 3 40 | 41 3 10 | 9 02 | 12 15 |
| N'rwich ar | | 4 35 | A M 5 30 | 9 57 | 2 58 |
| N'rwich lv | | 4 35 | 7 30 P M | 10 02 | 1 05 |
| Castle | | 6 06 | 9 10 | | A M 2 10 |
| Oneida ar | | 6 10 | 9 15 | | 2 17 |
| Oneida lv | | 6 15 | 9 20 | | |
| Fulton | | 7 55 | 10 58 | | m8 35 |
| Oswego ar | | 8 20 | 11 20 | | 2 55 |
| | | P M | M A M | | P M A M |

**SOUTH BOUND.**

| STATIONS. | 6 | 12 | 56 | 14 | 2 | 42 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | New Y'rk Exp | Local | Delhi Ex | Day Exp | Norwich Exp |
| Oswego lv | 11 20 | | 7 15 | | 6 47 | 2 05 |
| Oneida ar | | | 12 22 | | 5 45 | 6 35 |
| Oneida lv | 12 56 | | 1 0 | | 5 50 | 6 30 |
| Castle | | | 1 15 | P M 8 53 | 6 22 | |
| Norwich ar | 2 09 | | 6 15 | 6 43 10 | 27 7 15 | |
| Norwich lv | 2 14 | | P M 7 | 6 47 10 | 42 P M | |
| Birney | 3 05 | | | 7 50 11 | 49 | |
| Maywood | | | | 8 08 12 | 07 | |
| Walton | 3 50 | 12 15 | A M 8 | 40 1 | 287 | |
| Cadosia | 4 21 | 1 20 | 8 p m | 1 | 90 | |
| Rockland | | 2 38 | 6 00 | | 2 10 | |
| Lyvgst'n M'r | 5 07 | 3 00 | 6 14 | | 2 25 | |
| Parksville | | 3 16 | 6 25 | | 2 37 | |
| Liberty | 5 26 | 3 35 | 6 36 | | 2 51 | |
| Ferndale | | 3 41 | 6 41 | | n2 56 | |
| Hurleyville | | 4 04 | 6 50 | | 3 06 | |
| Fallsburgh | | 4 19 | 6 57 | | 3 14 | |
| Centreville | | 4 40 | 7 04 | | n3 30 | |
| Mount'n D. | | 4 50 | 7 10 | | n3 25 | |
| Summitville | | 5 10 | 7 26 | | 3 45 | |
| Wurtsboro | | 5 20 | 7 33 | | n3 52 | |
| Bloom'g'bgh | | 5 28 | 7 38 | | 3 57 | |
| Winterton | | 5 34 | 7 48 | | n4 02 | |
| M'town ar | 6 32 | 5 55 | 8 00 | | 4 20 | |
| M'town lv | 6 43 | 6 20 | 58 10 | | 4 30 | |
| Main St. | | 6 22 | 8 12 | | 4 32 | |
| Stony Ford | | 6 59 | 18 25 | | 14 46 | |
| Campbell H. | | 7 15 | 8 31 | | 4 52 | |
| Burnside | | 7 22 | 18 38 | | 14 57 | |
| Little Britain | | 7 28 | 18 46 | | 15 08 | |
| Orr's Mills | | 8 08 | 15 | 53 | 15 19 | |
| Fitchcliffe | | 8 10 | 8 | 55 | 15 21 | |
| Cornwall | 7 23 | 8 20 | 9 | 02 | 5 28 | |
| Weehawken | 8 45 | 11 00 | 10 | 30 | 7 00 | |
| New York W. 42d St., N. Y. | 9 00 | 11 15 | 10 | 40 | 7 10 | |
| Fkln St ar | 9 15 | 11 30 | 10 | 55 | 7 25 | |
| | P M | M A | M | | P M | |

a Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

† Stop for meals.

Trains leave Cadosia 5 10 a m and 2 05 p m for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m. and 4 15 p m. for Cadosia.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 and 11 30 a m, 3 40 6 50 p m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00 and 10 50 a. m, 3.10 and 5 50 p. m.

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 20 and 11 00 a m, 1 30 and 5 00 p m. Sunday only 3 15 p m

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 10 a.m, 12 35 2 45 and 8 45 p m Sunday only 9 15 a. m, and 2 15 p m.

Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10.00 a m, 3 45 and 7.50 p m. Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and 9 00 a. m, and 2 0 p m

For further particulars see local card.

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**N. Y., S. & W. R. R.**

In effect Nov 28th, '97.

| New York Ferries | Daily a m | Daily ex Sun p m | Daily p m |
|---|---|---|---|
| West 42d St | 8 10 | ... | 4 30 |
| Cortlandt and Desbrosses Sts. | 8 30 | | 4 50 |
| Jersey City | 8 48 | | 5 08 |
| Hackensack | 9 34 | ... | 5 54 |
| Paterson (Broadway) | 9 56 | ... | 6 02 |
| Paterson | 9 59 | | 6 04 |
| Two Bridges | 10 55 | 2 50 | 6 55 |
| Ogdensburg | 11 07 | 3 05 | 7 10 |
| Franklin | 11 12 | 3 15 | 7 15 |
| Hamburg | 11 29 | 3 35 | 7 34 |
| Breakertown | 11 38 | 3 40 | 7 43 |
| Quarryville | 11 38 | 3 52 | 7 48 |
| Unionville | 11 44 | 4 01 | 7 54 |
| Westtown | 11 49 | 4 15 | 8 01 |
| Johnson | 11 55 | 4 27 | 8 11 |
| State Hill | 12 00 | 4 35 | 8 20 |
| Middletown | 12 12 | 4 50 | 8 45 |

SOUTH.

| | Daily a m | Daily ex Sun p m | Daily p m |
|---|---|---|---|
| Middletown | 6 00 | 3 30 | 4 10 |
| State Hill | 6 12 | 3 42 | 5 45 |
| Johnson | 6 18 | 3 57 | 5 15 |
| Westtown | 6 23 | 4 03 | 5 21 |
| Unionville | 6 30 | 4 10 | 5 28 |
| Quarryville | 7 06 | 4 47 | 6 04 |
| Breakertown | 7 14 | 4 56 | 6 12 |
| Hamburg | 7 22 | 5 16 | 6 30 |
| Point Jackson | 47 | 25 | |
| Franklin | 7 29 | 5 36 | 6 07 |
| Ogdensburg | 7 34 | 5 06 | 6 12 |
| Two Bridges | 7 51 | 5 27 | 6 47 |
| Paterson City | 8 03 | | 7 15 |
| Paterson (Broadway) | 8 05 | 10 36 | 7 18 |
| Hackensack | 8 16 | 10 47 | 8 01 |
| Jersey City | 8 38 | 11 12 | 8 27 |
| New York Ferries— | | | |
| Cortlandt and Desbrosses St. | 8 58 | 11 23 | 8 48 |
| West 23d street | 9 15 | 11 45 | 9 20 |

f—Stop on signal.


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TIME TABLE ADOPTED NOV. 28, '97.

| Eastern Time. | 17 | 21 | 1 | 9 | 11 | 33 | 5 | 38 | 6 | 20 | 21 | 8 | 22 | 14 | N. Spec'l, Sept 6604 | 10 | 26 | 12 | 16 | 25 | 27 | 15 | 29 | 5 | 33 | 11 | 9 | 1 | 21 | 17 | S. Spec'l, Sept 617 | 3 | 7 | 29 | 25 | 15 | 27 | 5 | 33 | 11 | 9 | 1 | 21 | 17 | S. Spec'l, Sept 625 | 3 | 7 | 29 | 25 | 15 | 27 | 5 | 33 | 11 | 9 | 1 | 21 | 17 | S. Spec'l, Sept 601 | 3 | 7 | 29 | 25 | 15 | 27 | 5 | 33 | 11 | 9 | 1 | 21 | 17 | Eastern Time. |
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## ON THE TIP OF THE TONGUE.

Some one has been trying to have a joke on our champion six-day runner, who is learning the mysteries of job printing in the ARGUS office as the following will show: "

EDITOR ARGUS.—Since the Midway Park race, last summer, much discussion has taken place relative to the merits of various city runners, and the question has often been asked, but never satisfactorily answered, "Who is the champion distance runner of our city?" My name has been often mentioned and more or less criticised, hence I now take the liberty of challenging any runner in this city to run me either one or a series of three races, distance, time, place, etc., to be agreed on later. Very Respectfully,

GEORGE MIKLES.

This communication came through the mail, stamped, sealed and postmarked and caused the editor to remark: "George is getting very formal." Investigation revealed the fact that the letter was neither prompted nor written by George, and that he is "out of training."

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Monhagens will doubtless see spirits of dead myths, to-night, after retiring from the clam bake. Six thousand clams have been ordered for the occasion, and the capacity of active members and honorary members and guests will be tested. Of course clams will not constitute the menu, for the committeemen in charge are epicures. The programme will be interesting, and when the clams have all disappeared and the cigars have been passed, speeches may be expected from several of the good talkers in the company, including Chaplain Robinson, President Hornbeck, ex-President W. B. Royce, W. H. Rogers, City Attorney Bradner, ex-City Attorney W. F. O'Neill and others.

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The hanging at Milford, Tuesday, reminded several Middletowners of the electrocution of Fred Maguire, at Sing Sing, which occurred in their presence. Not many of those Orange county men who were present on the latter occasion have ever felt any particular anxiety to witness another.

There were several in this vicinity who desired to attend the Milford hanging and many letters were sent to District Attorney Van Auken and Sheriff Courtright, which failed to receive favorable responses.

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There is a certain young woman on North street who is a regular attendant on shows at the Casino, who has developed a fondness for practicing the contortions by which ballet girls sometimes delight their audiences. Practice generally makes perfect, and proud of her success this young woman has submitted herself to the snap shot of the camera, and now some of the boys are showing photographs to their confidential friends, in which the young woman is portrayed in abbreviated skirts resting easily in one of her acquired poses. Gossip is flying, too.

## IN THE SOCIAL WORLD.

**Pleasant Afternoon Whist in a Highland Avenue Home.**

Mrs. James E. Gibbs and Mrs. E. E. Conkling entertained at whist in the latter's home, on Highland avenue, Tuesday afternoon. Ten tables were taken and the playing was exceptionally sharp. When the game was finished the "experts" were found to be Mrs. Mary Andrews and Mrs. Frank Buckley.

Refreshments were served and the ladies had a jolly, social hah hour before breaking up.

## RAILWAY CONDUCTORS' ELECTION

**Millard Division Names Its Officers for 1898.**

Millard Division, No. 104, Order of Railway Conductors, has elected the following officers:

C. C.—W. T Davis.
A. C. C.—J. Gibbons.
S. C.—W. Kirby.
J. C.—A. Jones.
S. and T.—W. Faulkner.
J. S.—M. Garahart.
O. S.—F. Horton
Division Committee—A. L. Ludington, E. J. Vaughn, G. F. Close.

**Back to His First Love.**

W. H. Murray, who has been a train dispatcher on the Third Avenue Elevated Road for a long time, has resigned to accept a position at Sandy Hook. The Postal Telegraph and Cable Company has been laying a number of cables from that point to Coney Island and Mr. Murray will be an operator and marine reporter. He is paid a remunerative salary and is furnished a house as well. Mr. Murray was similarly located about ten years ago.

**Wooed and Wedded in Fifty Minutes.**

John Doerr, a hotel keeper at Lackawaxen, is a matrimonial record breaker. In Jersey City last Friday he met for the first time Mrs. Grace Wahler, of Hoboken, a young and attractive widow, and in just fifty minutes after their meeting a justice of the peace had made them one.

**Cure Your Stomach.**

You can quickly do this by using South American Nervine. It can cure every case of weak stomach in the world. It always cures, never fails. It knows no failure. It will gladden your heart and put sunshine into your life. It is a most surprising cure. A weak stomach and broken nerves will drag you down to death. South American Nervine will help you immediately. No failures; always cures; never disappoints. Lovely to take. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist, Middletown, N. Y.

**DeWitt's Little Early Risers,**
**The famous Little ...**

## NERVOUS PROSTRATION.

**A New Jersey Woman Expresses Her Gratitude to Mrs. Pinkham for Relief.**

"Will you kindly allow me," writes Miss Mary E. Saidt to Mrs. Pinkham, "the pleasure of expressing my gratitude for the wonderful relief I have experienced by taking your Compound? I suffered for a long time with nervous prostration and general debility, caused by falling of the womb. It seemed as though my back would never stop aching. I could not sleep. I had dull headaches. I was weary all the time, and life was a burden to me. I sought the seashore for relief, but all in vain. On my return I resolved to give your medicine a trial. I took two bottles and was cured. I can cheerfully state, if more ladies would only give your medicine a fair trial they would bless the day they saw the advertisement, and there would be happier homes. I mean to do all I can for you in the future. I have you alone to thank for my recovery, for which I am very grateful." —MISS MARY E. SAIDT, Jobstown, N. J.

HEADACHE cured in 20 minutes by Dr. Miles' PAIN PILLS. "One cent a dose." At druggists.

## A PROMISE OF SIX-CENT MILK.

**Mr. Gilmor Says the Trust Will Reduce the Cost of Delivery So As to Cut Down the Price to Consumers and Increase the Farmers' Receipts.**

John D. Gilmor, promoter of the Milk Trust, says that two hundred milk dealers in New York have given options on their business to the men who were interested in the new corporation. He declined, however, to give the names of any of these dealers, or say who was interested in the company. He said:

"This is not a trust, but a stock company, and if the public will be patient for a little while it will be greatly benefited by the formation of such a concern. The majority of the people now pay eight cents a quart for milk delivered at their homes, but under the system which the company intends to adopt they will be able to buy it for six cents. The company will also be able to pay the farmers more for the milk and yet derive a larger profit that the individual dealers do now. The cost of delivering the milk to the homes of the people will be reduced two-thirds by the company's system. It now costs about three cents a quart to deliver milk, and the company will be able to do it for one cent by reducing the number of wagons. The farmers last year received a fraction over 2½ cents a quart for their milk, and it is easy to see how the company can afford to pay them more, and the freight charges and the cost of delivery, and yet reap a big profit by selling the milk for six cents a quart.

"The milkmen also lose considerable by being unable to sell skim milk. The milk can be used for making soup and other things, but it must be handled in large quantities to make it worth while. The individual dealers cannot collect enough of it, but the company will be able to deliver it in quantities. One man has already applied for five hundred cans of skim milk a day."

Mr. Gilmor said the company would probably be organized next week and that the full details and the names of the officers would then be made public.

A reporter called on several large milk dealers, Monday, but none of them would admit having given options on their business to promoters of the new company.

William J. Rogers, Secretary of the New York Condensed Milk Company, which does a large business in bottled milk, declared that all he knew about the proposed company was what he had read in the newspapers. He did not appear to be greatly impressed with the argument put forth by the promoters of the company and declared that milk could not be delivered cheaper than it is by the large dealers now.

Manager Parsons, of the Michigan Condensed Milk Company, expressed the same views, as did a number of other representative milk dealers.

**Its Worst Form.**

"My daughter has been troubled with catarrh since she was four years old. She had the disease in its worst form and took medicines with no permanent relief. She finally began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills and after a while the disagreeable symptoms entirely disappeared." M. W. SILSBY, Hartland, N. Y.

Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic and liver tonic. Gentle, reliable, sure

**DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve**
Cures Piles, Scalds, Burns.

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DOUGHERTY & REILLY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 52 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone. Lady assistant.

J. D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer Lady assistant. Telephone 158, Middletown, N. Y. 40 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn. 48 Great Jones street, New York.

## A MONSTER BEAR.

**Charles Jones, of East Branch, Brought a Big Carcass to This City.**

Charles Jones, a hotelkeeper of East Branch, arrived in this city on O. and W. No. 2, Tuesday, with a large black bear weighing 250 pounds. The bear had a beautiful skin and several wanted it, but Mr. Jones' price, $50, was considered too steep.

The bear was finally hung in front of John Amstalden's market on James street where it has attracted lots of attention.

Mr. Jones informed an ARGUS reporter that he and three others had tracked the bear in the vicinity of Baxter Brook, three miles from East Branch, where bruin was finally located under a rock. A bullet from one of the party found lodgment in the bear's neck and killed him instantly.

## BULLVILLE.

**A Reading by Miss Ambler.**

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Miss Emma L. Ambler, a noted elocutionist of Middletown, will give a recital of humorous and dramatic selections in the Bullville M. E. Church, next Friday evening, Dec. 10. These entertainments have been given by Miss Ambler in Goshen, Newburgh, Middletown and other places and they have been thoroughly enjoyed and highly spoken of. Admission, adults twenty-five cents; children fifteen cents.

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Just try a 10c. box of Cascarets, the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

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**NEW TO-DAY.**

GRAIN, FEED, HAY—Large stock, low prices. s1Wed,Satf VANFLEET'S New Feed Store.

HONEY Delivered C. O. D.—Five pound pail, pure extracted, 50c. Order by phone or postal at Belding's Flower Store or house, Cottage street
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CAMPHOR CREAM for chapped hands, face and lips. Delightful after shaving; is not sticky. 25 cents at
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ERIE HOUSE, Goshen, N. Y.
1td

ROAST Pork 9 cents, chopped beef 10 cents, our best sausage 10 cents, selected from the choicest Orange county pork.
16dtf J. CHAS. SCHWARTZ.

ROESCHER'S Splendid Orchestra, Columbia Park, Thursday evening. Ladies free Tickets at Pronk's. 1td

WANTED to Work on Shares—A 25 cow dairy farm Reliable party. Address
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WEEK OF DEC. 6.

Matinees at 3. Evenings at 8.

The Two De s, comedy, acrobatic, sketch; Miss Minnie Reinhart, comic songs, song and dance; Miss Jennie Ward, serio-comic.

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| Arbuckle's, | 12c |
| Best Rio, | 18c |
| Pea Berry, | 21c |
| Choicest Maracaibo, | 25c |
| O. G. Java, | 30c |
| Mocha, | 32c |

**SLOAT'S**
**Cash Store.**

## THERE'S AN ORIENTAL

Proverb running like this—"Trust not to appearances, the drum that makes the most noise is filled with wind." So look out for the holday drum advertiser. Every year we put our mark up considerable higher than the year previous, and merit the advance by merchandise of merit sold on their merits at Economy prices. This year is the same, only more so

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| STEEL CARVERS. | 14 Carvers and Forks, polished steel, for kitchen, a bargain at 12 CENTS. |
| MEN'S NECKWEAR. | Positive value is 75 cents on this lot, but Economy price makes them 25 CENTS |
| HANDKERCHIEFS. | With lace insertion in corners, white hemstitched cambric worth 10 cents, for 5 CENTS. |
| PURSES AT 2 CENTS. | Yes, and 3, 5, 10c. Pocketbooks at 19, 25c., to 50c. Many at less values and less prices. |
| GAMES | About 25 kinds at 5 CTS., as many more 8c., a hundred kinds at 10, 15, 18 and 25 cents. |
| A DOLL FOR A PENNY. | And others at 2, 5c. Dressed Dolls 10c. Sleeping Dolls 25c to $1. |
| CHRISTMAS TREE CANDLES. | Made of good paraffine wax, in colors, 25 cents per box. |
| CELLULOID NOVELTIES. | As usual, an entirely new line each season, and 1897 has scores of new ones, 25 cents upward. |
| A COUNTER AT 5 CENTS. | Small counter of Silver Novelties, very pretty gifts, 5, 10c and upward. |
| JAPANESE CUPS AND SAUCERS. | Dainty ware in a variety of patterns and shapes at 5, 10, 15, 25c. |

Klondike Region for Dolls Toys, Games in the Basement.

**ECONOMY STORE,**
118 North St., Middletown

## EVERYBODY'S FAVORITES ARE COMING.

**Living Midgets, Real Fairies.**

GIGANTIC PRODUCTION BY HOME TALENT.

**MYSTIC MIDGETS!**

Never before has an entertainment been offered to the public possessing such a peculiar fascination for both old and young as The Mystic Midgets. It is a juvenile fairy spectacle in two acts giving two hours of enjoyment. The cast is composed of from 75 to 100 of our own children, the boys representing Midgets from all nations and gnomes ever bent on mischief; the girls, "all glittering with spangles and robed in filmy gowns of lace," represent the dainty denizens of fairyland. Besides these there appear on the stage live insects and animals.

**Casino Theatre**

**FRIDAY EV'NG, DEC. 10.**

**Matinee Saturday, at 2:30 O'clock**

General Admission 25c, Reserved Seats 35 and 50c, to be had at H. S. Dusenberry & Son's, North street.

## RARE OPPORTUNITY FOR BUSINESS.

I hereby offer for sale the tools, implements, fixtures, manufactured and unmanufactured stock heretofore owned by the Degnan Plumbing Company of this city. An inspection of the property can be had and terms and conditions of sale ascertained by application to the undersigned.

C. MACARDELL.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec 7th, 1897. 15d3t

You should have that music and lot of ladies' periodicals neatly bound at
McINTYRE'S BINDERY,
32 North Street, Middletown.
The price will be reasonable. 1

## ONE CENT A WORD

*for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.*

HAVING Purchased J. H. Houston's Express Business I am prepared to promptly execute all orders in that line and solicit a share of the public patronage.
O. G. O'NEAL, 25 Wawayanda avenue.
96dtoDec 1

DR. F. N. FRIEND, Dentist, office corner North and King Sts., Middletown. Entrance on King St. Dental work of all kinds. Gas administered. dlySep4'98

W. J. GROO will be at his office, 11 North street, Saturdays, and every evening from 7:30 to 9 o'clock, for consultation and the transaction of law business. 86d1mDec2

WANTED — Ladies to remember that you swore off on having your shoes repaired with nails. It makes them stiff and heavy. CRAIG sews on the soles, which makes your shoes feel flexible. The cost is no more.

EXTRACTING with gas 50c., odontander 50c. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth $6, $8 and $10 a set. Twenty years' experience.
9d&wtf DR. ROBINSON, 44 and 46 James St.

FINE Oak Painted Bedroom Suit, bedstead, bureau with glass, wash stand and stand, grind stone and frame, well curb and vinegar barrels, all cheap at
EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street

MUSICAL Instruction on mandolin, piano, violin, guitar, banjo, flute by VINCENT MAGGIO, 68 North street, second floor. d&wl

CHAS. J. KIDD, Jr., 70 Academy avenue—3,000 designs in Wall Paper. Estimates furnished for painting, decorating and hanging. 71

WILLIAM OTTO BENDER, City Upholster and Awning Maker, with good help, is now ready to take orders for all kinds of work in his line. Over 200 samples of awnings, for private houses and stores, to select from. Residence and factory 15 Knapp Ave., near Wickham. 1fyMy19

WE HAVE MADE a deep cut in the prices of our Trimmed Hats, in order to reduce the stock at once. Also special low prices on Felt Hats, Turbans and Bonnets.
50d&wtf MRS. BUSH, 144 North street.

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF will return to Middletown, Dec. 13th, and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James street.
52d&wtf

## ONE CENT A WORD

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TO LET—Three very desirable rooms on 2d floor. Call at this office. 15dtf

CAROLINA Tar Syrup cures coughs when other remedies fail. Proven a good thing by experience. Try it. 25c a bottle at
CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from postoffice.

WANTED—Capable men of good address to represent our nurseries Permanent position with good pay. ELLWANGER & BARRY, Rochester, N. Y. 13d6t

FOR RENT—Double house, No. 14 Beattie avenue, arranged for two families, city water. Barn if wanted. Low rent, desirable location.
11dtf F. C. EVERSON, 159 East Main street.

THERE are many new designs in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, etc., for the season of '97-'98. Call and examine them at A. M. AMBLER'S, 58 North street, next to Press office. Repairing a specialty at short notice and all work guaranteed. Engraving of all goods purchased free of charge. See other adv.

PHILIP HENRY, Practical House Painter, No. 9 Linden Terrace. Painting walls a specialty. 47dtf

LADIES' and Gents' Suits and overcoats cleaned, dyed and pressed, gloves cleaned, ostrich plumes cleaned, dyed and curled.
s&d3mFeb2 J. A. AUSTIN, 93 Wickham Ave.

A BUSINESS EDUCATION — Railway and Commercial Systems practically taught—Stenography, typewriting and telegraphy, school of commerce No. 47 Washington street, Middletown, N. Y. Day and evening. Established 1896.
69dlyFeb17 J. B. VANGELDER, Principal.

TWO Grain Quinine Pills 5 cents a dozen, 38 cents a hundred. Each pill guaranteed to contain two grains of pure sulphate of quinine, no better made. Get them at
CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from postoffice.

PAPER Hanging at 12½c a roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. EMIL MARTINI,
dtf Shop 5 Academy Ave.

THE Klondike isn't in it with the bargains in second-hand goods at LOEVEN'S Storage House, 21 Monhagen avenue. 7tdlyOc23,98

FOR RENT—Six rooms on Hanford street, newly papered and renovated throughout. Enquire at F. W. VANSICKLE'S Shoe Store, 58 North street. 85dtf

LOWER Part of house, 89 East avenue; lower part of house, with barn, 20 Canal street; lower part of house, with barn, 203 East Main street, for rent.
Enquire of P. CUMMINGS, 100 North street, or corner East Ave and Fulton St. 7dtf

JEROME FOLLETTE, Piano and Organ Tuner Fine tone and action regulating a specialty. All work guaranteed. Orders left at T. B. Dayton's Real Estate Agency, Room 1, Stern's Building North St., Middletown, N. Y. 82d&wlyAu28 98

WANTED on Bond and Mortgage—$2,500, 5 per cent., security worth $8,000, in this city; also $1,500 wanted, 6 per cent.
MERRILL & BURKE, Attorneys, No. 57 North street. dtf

## ONLY 10C. A POUND FOR Pork and Sausage.

Whole Pork Loins 9c., Beef Steak 10c., Lamb 8c.

Highest cash price paid for Pork.

**W. J. Greening, 13 E. Main St**

DISSOLUTION—On the first day of December, 1897, the firm of Thomas C and Fred C Royce, Dentists, Middletown, N. Y., was dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued by Dr. Thomas C Royce, who will be assisted by Dr. A. Freeman Foote, late of Brooklyn, N. Y. Dr. Foote is making a specialty of operative dentistry and is familiar with the application of electricity in the use for annihilating pain attending dental operations. Crown and bridge work and dentistry in all its branches will receive prompt and careful attention at this office, corner of Main and South streets, over National Express Co.'s office.
15d&wtf THOMAS C. ROYCE.

**Notice—Unpaid Taxes and Assessments.**

Notice is hereby given to all persons, corporations and associations indebted to the city of Middletown, N. Y., for unpaid taxes and assessments that the undersigned has been directed by the Common Council of said city, to advertise and sell all property against or upon which said unpaid taxes and assessments are assessed.

Notice is also hereby given that ten days from the date hereof is given to all such persons, corporations and associations within which they may pay such taxes and assessments without additional cost and expense.

Dated December 8th 1897.
13d10t JOHN F. BRADNER, City Attorney.

# IT HAS OFTEN BEEN ASKED

How we can so constantly present offerings of such exceptional values. The answer is simple—Everybody knows the value of ready money and concessions obtainable for large quantities bought for cash. Buying largely, paying cash invariably, we can and do sell new, fine goods every day in the week and every day in the year, at the lowest prices any one name.

### Dressing Sacques.

Made of soft warm materials that combine luxury with usefulness. We have them in all the leading plain colors, Cardinal, Pink, Light Blue and Grey. Pretty stripes in dainty colorings made in a great variety of styles. Come in all sizes 32 to 40, at 89c, 98c, $1.19, $1.48.

### Handkerchiefs.

From the place in Ireland, France or Switzerland where they are made. Handkerchiefs come to us direct, and they come in numbers that you can but faintly imagine. Our great holiday purchase of 11,000 Handkerchiefs means a saving to our customers, besides giving you the finest assortment of popular priced handkerchiefs in the city.

AT 3c.

Girls' and Boys' Printed Handkerchiefs ready for use in a great variety of styles.

AT 5c.

Plain white real hemstitched, fine lawn with printed borders, white lawn with corded effects, lace trimmed and lace medallion corners.

AT 10c.

1,200 Handkerchiefs at this price in a great variety of styles, the best value ever shown in any store.

AT 15c.

A manufacturer's stock of 1,400 sample handkerchiefs in dainty series, embroidered patterns. All linen hemstitched and open work patterns. Many of this lot is worth 20c and 25c. All at 15c or two for 25c.

25 dozen Men's All Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, full size, 15c, two for 25c.

AT 25c.

1,200 Ladies' Fine Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, the handsomest assortment of dainty patterns ever shown by any firm.

360 All Fine Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs bought from a manufacturer going out of business. Not one worth less than 50c.

Men's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, the best value in the market.

Men's Japanese Silk Initial Handkerchiefs. Compare ours with any shown in this city at 39c.

AT 48c.

Ladies' Pure Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs closed out from a manufacturer going out of business, a lot not one sold for less than 75c, as long as they last 49c.

Men's Finest Quality Japanese Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, the best we have ever shown.

### Ladies' Underwear.

Ladies' Outing Flannel Gowns, yoke in front and back, 49c.

Ladies' Outing Flannel Gowns made from the best Outing, 69c.

Ladies' Outing Flannel Gowns, wide sailor collar, trimmed with linen lace, 95c.

Ladies' Cotton Ribbed Short Underskirts with crochet edges, 49c.

Ladies' Black Sateen Underskirts, warranted fast black, the best value ever shown by any store, 98c, $1.25, $1.48, $1.68.

Ladies' Percer Silk, Heavy Silk, and Moreen Underskirt, regular tailor made, $1.98.

Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Cotton Vests, "sold as seconds," 19c.

Ladies' French Ribbed Vests and Pants, both are extra well made and trimmed, 25c.

Ladies' Heavy Cotton Extra Size 7, 8 and 9 Vests and Pants for extra stout people, 35c.

Ladies' Cotton Ribbed Closed Pants, extra quality, 50c pair.

Ladies' Combination Suits, special value, at 50c, 75c, $1.25, $1.48.

### Domestics.

Best Apron Gingham in all the staple checks, 4½c yd.

Remnant of the Loom Bleached Muslin, 6c yard.

Mill Remnants of Fine All Linen Crash Toweling, 7c, 9c, 10c yd.

54 inch Unbleached Table Linen, 25c yard.

64 inch all Linen Bleached Table Damask, 50c yard, worth more at wholesale.

White Bed Spreads, three special values 49c, 75c, 98c.

5-4 Bleached Pillow Cases, 9½c each.

9-4 Bleached Sheets, the best goods made, 45c.

Extra large All Linen Huck Towel, 15c, two for 25c.

10c Velvet Finished Outing Cloth, the best goods made, 8c yard.

Best Dress Prints, 4c yard.

### Warm Wrappers for Women

We have just made a cash purchase of of 480 Ladies' Wrappers from a manufacturer at a great reduction from the regular prices. They are marked to sell at prices less than the cost of the goods were you to buy at retail, and the making couldn't be bettered. They come in Percale, Flannelette and Ouring Cloth. 98c—$1.48.

Our special box of Writing Papers and Envelopes at 10c, 15c, 25c and 49c is the best values in the city.

### Prepared Palms.

We have added to our holiday stock an assortment of prepared Palms and Plants as natural as the real and no trouble to keep them. See our assortment at 50c, 95c, $1.75, $3.

### Jardinieres.

1 Gross Jardiniers, good size, three pretty colors, 10c each.

½ Gross Large Jardiniers in four handsome colorings, 25c.

½ Gross Extra Large Jardinieres, all handsomely decorated, 39c.

An assortment of fine Jardinieres at 39c, 49c, 79c, 98c, about half the regular prices.

### In the Notion Stock.

You will find all the little knicknacks that a complete notion stock should always keep. Some special values are:

3 papers best brass 5 Pins, come in three sizes, 10c.

Ladies' Stockinet Arm Shields, 5c.

Corset Stays in white, drab and black, 4, 5 and 6 hooks, 5c pair.

A good quality of tooth or talcum powder, 5c box.

Special lot of Tooth Brushes, 5c and 10c each, worth double.

A Glass Water Bottle holds one quart, regular price 25c, this lot 15c.

Ladies' Children's and Babies Side Elastics, all sizes, 10c pair.

Special lot of fine Hair Brushes about half the regular price 25c and 39c each.

Genuine Violet Soap, worth 15c a cake our price 10c.

No. 80 all Silk Taffeta Ribbon in a great variety of styles, not one worth less than 50c yard, all at 29c.

Glass Salt and Pepper Sets, couldn't get them fast enough last year, 10c.

Ladies' Side Elastics in all colors with satin bands, 19c pair.

Cube Pins, assorted sizes, black, white and fancy heads, 5c.

Violet of Parma and White Violet Toilet Water, each bottle in a box, 25c.

See our Holiday Perfumes put up in fancy boxes, finest goods ever shown us, at 25c, 39c and 49c. We keep nothing but the best goods.

**Our Holiday Show Open. Bring the Little Ones. Admission Free.**

# HART DAVIS, 45 NORTH